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NEW DEAL FOR POST & TELEGRAPH MEN

Justice Rajadhyaksha's Award In Dispute

SYMPATHY STRIKES IN CITY: STUDENTS PARADE STREETS

Telephone Workers Decide On 24 Hours Hartal

NEW DELHI, July 17. (A.P.A.): An immediate non-recurring relief of Rs. 73,00,000 and a further annual recurring grant of Rs. 1,09,00,000 have been recommended by Mr. Justice Rajadhyaksha, adjudicator in the dispute between the Posts and Telegraphs Department and its employees.

This was revealed by a reliable source as negotiations continued today between the All-India Federation of Posts and Telegraphs Unions and the departments in New Delhi.

EARLIER RELIEF

In March last Government announced a relief of Rs. 1,40,00,000 after discussions with the Federation, which had demanded Rs. 3,50,00,000 in relief.

The source also disclosed that although the terms of the adjudicator covered only the emoluments of new scale employees, old scale employees will benefit to the extent of Rs. 30,00,000 out of the award now given.

The adjudicator was also reported to have recommended the abolition of the third group of the All-India Pay Scale Schedule and its amalgamation with the second group.

OFFICIAL VERSION

NEW DELHI, July 17, (A.P.I.): Official reports on the seventh day of the Postal strike show cent per cent deliveries from delivery centres in Madras, Lahore and Calcutta. House-to-house deliveries were resumed in the Madras G. P. O. area. All telegrams received in Madras yesterday were delivered.

STRIKERS RESUME?

Strikers started resuming duty in a number of places all over India, in some instances "en bloc". A few centres, however, reported intimidation of strikers wishing to return to work.

According to a revised estimate, 12,500 men are on strike, over half of them in Bombay.

CALCUTTA ULTIMATUM

A strike notice has to-day been telegraphically served on the Director-General of Posts and Telegraphs, Government of India by the General Secretary of the All-India Telegraph Union, intimating that the members of the Union, including employees of the Calcutta Telephone District, would go on strike on and from a date to be announced bpy the President of the Union in the event of failure on the part of the authorities to accept certain demands of the Union within 72 hours.

The Calcutta branch of the All-India Postal and R. M. S. Union has also served a strike notice on the authorities.

The postal strike situation in Calcutta is described by the departmental authorities as unchanged to-day, the seventh day of the strike.

In Dacca City, more centres for window delivery of letters have been started. Members of the Civic Guard have been posted at different delivery centres to guard against any incidents.

Students of some educational institutions in Dacca came out of the class and paraded the streets shouting slogans supporting the postmen on strike.

STRIKE SPREADS IN MADRAS

MADRAS, July 17 (A.P.I.): The Postal and Telegraph strike which began in the city of Madras on Sunday

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TELEPHONE WORKERS TO STRIKE

Sympathy With Post And Telegraph Men

Bombay's telephone network will come to a halt on Friday. The general body of the Bombay Telephone Workers' Union at their meeting today decided to have a 24-hour strike starting from Thursday midnight.

The strike, which is in sympathy with the action of the posts and telegraph men, will be observed by processions and a meeting of the telephone workers. The strikers will meet at the Azad Maidan on Friday to hold a general meeting.

At today's general body meeting, Messrs. G. Ramaratnam and S. G. Kasbekar explained the adjudication report regarding the telephone workers' demands. Their resolution calling for a token strike on Friday was adopted unanimously.

Mr. P. N. Dighe moved another resolution which expressed the general body's surprise at the contents of the Director General's (Posts and Telegraphs) circular relating to the Trunk Development Scheme which failed to mention the services rendered by the telephone workers of the Bombay telephone workshops where trunk development equipment for the new exchange was designed and manufactured.

It is expected that the entire telephone communication system may be paralysed for the 24 hours. With the postal and telegraphic black-out, one more blow will be dealt at the hard-pressed business life of the metropolis.

In order to suppport the demands of the employees of the Post & Telegraph dept. the students of the city observed a complete hartal and huge procession was taken out from Azad Maidan on Wednesday. Photo shows a part view of the procession snapped just at the starting time.

Public Support To Post And Telegraph Strikers

Students Keep Out Of Schools And Parade Streets: Post-Master General Thinks Lower Grade Staff Is Better Paid

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Telegraph traffic to and from Bombay registered today a fall of about thirty per cent from the normal traffic.

Before the commencement of the strike of the messengers and linesmen three days ago, about five thousand telegrams were received and delivered in Bombay per day. During the last two days, this has declined to about 3,500. There has also been a drop in the number of outgoing messages.

This decline is attributed to the deterioration of public confidence in the department service and also to the inadequacy of telegraph staff.

Of the telegrams received here today, only about forty per cent could be delivered. The remaining would be sent by ordinary post to the addresses.

Booking of calls on the trunk telephones was heavy today as on Tuesday.

The delivery of letters at the various delivery centres continued today as on Tuesday. Heavy accumulation of mail is reported from some of the centres. In order to reduce this, the postal department intends to make certain changes in the timings. According to the changes, the mail will be delivered in two shifts, one in the morning and the other late in the afternoon. Mr. R. E. Shalom, the Post-Master General of Bombay feels that with better co-operation from the public, the present postal machinery can function much more efficiently.

To facilitate quicker delivery, the postal authorities intend to open more delivery centres in the city. Mr. Shalom, along with other officials visited some localities in the morning with a view to selecting sites for new delivery centres.

Members of the Indian Pioneer Corps and British Servicemen helped in the clearance of mail today at railway stations and at the Ballard pier.

Public sympathy with the postal and telegraph lower grade workers was expressed today by a number of demonstrations in the city.

STUDENTS STRIKE

In response to the call given by the Bombay Provincial Students' Congress and the Bombay Students' Union, Students of Bombay, observed complete 'hartal' today. Shortly before noon, the students numbering about 3,000 assembled at the Azad maidan and marched in procession through Girgaum and Kalbadevi areas. The processionists, who were joined later by a large number of strikers of the Postal and Telegraph Departments after parading the streets, met at Bhatia Baug, opposite the G.P.O., where they held a meeting and accorded wholehearted support to the strikers.

Primary school children accompanied by street urchins, also went in procession through the streets shouting slogans.

About 2,000 workers of two mills in Northern Bombay, abstained from going to work and as a result, the two mills remained closed today.

PICKETING OF POST OFFICES

The strike today again resorted to intensive picketing of post offices and delivery centres. They sometimes even prostrated themselves before vans carrying mail. At Cadell Road in northern Bombay they successfully turned back a van which later, however, unloaded the mail bags under police protection.

An interesting feature of the strikers' activities was the attempts to stop buses on the roads, to paste posters appealing to the public not to co-operate with the authorities.

SHALOM'S VERDICT

Mr. R. E. Shalom, Postmaster General of Bombay, at a press conference today, held that the strike of the telegraph messengers, as also that of the postmen, was uncalled for. In his opinion, they were better paid than the lower grade staff of any other department. Mr. Shalow stated that telegraph messengers who were getting Rs. 43-8 (old scale) and Rs. 38-8 (new scale) per month in 1939, were today getting Rs. 76 and 71 respectively. In view of the fact that these messengers could hardly read and write, the present scales of pay were "quite decent."

POSTAL STRIKE LEADERS SUSPENDED FROM SERVICE

Govt. Of India "Chaprasis" Called Up For Street Delivery In New Delhi

NEW DELHI, July 17. (A.P.I.): It is authoritatively learnt that thirty postmen and packers in Delhi described as ring leaders of the strikers have been suspended from service. The orders of suspension have been communicated to them.

STREET DELIVERY RESTORED

Street delivery of mails has been restored in New Delhi with the help of some 200 Government of India chaprasis and some newly-recruited postmen. All delivery centres in New Delhi have been abolished from to-day.

In Old Delhi a skeleton street delivery has been started. Twenty postmen who have been recently brought from Jaipur, were sent to the civil lines with beat lists to deliver letters.

The Chief Post-Master said that it would take some time to restore street delivery in Old Delhi as it was very difficult to find men who knew people living in different mohallas and byelanes of the city. They were, however, doing their best to reinstitute regular delivery.

A meeting of the Mir Mohallas (Heads of Mohallas) of the city held to-day with Mr. Le Bailly, Deputy Commissioner in the chair, resolved to give help in the distribution of mails in different mohallas, every day.

Eight additional delivery centres will shortly be opened in Old Delhi.

A report received in the General Post Office says that a newly-recruited postman distributing letters in the civil lines, was molested by some men. A report has been made to the police. The Chief Post-Master said that steps would be taken to prevent such incidents.

Recruitment of clerks, postmen and packers is proceeding. Some 50 applications are being received every day.

Settlement Prospects

Mr. Satyanarayan Sinha, Chief Whip, Congress Party in the Assembly, who is in Delhi in connection with meetings of the Standing Finance Committee for Railways, met the Director-General of Posts and Telegraphs, Mr. Krishna Prasad and had an hour's discussion with him on the postal strike.

Mr. Sinha later expressed himself satisfied with the attitude of the Director-General and hoped that to a large extent the grievances of the postmen would be met and the strike would be settled in two or three days.

On page 2 of today's issue is a list of names of Officers of the Indian Army who were Prisoners of War in the hands of the Japanese and are now known to be safe in Allied hands. Further lists will be published from time to time.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

NEW YORK COTTON (OCTOBER)
NEW YORK, July 17.

Previous Closing	34.73
Today's Opening	34.71
Difference	—2
Today's Closing	34.65
Difference	—8

Madras Harijan Satyagrahi Quits

MADRAS, July 17 (API).—Mr. G. Arulappan, a Harijan from Ramnad, who yesterday offered Satyagraha by fasting before the Premier's Chamber at the Secretariat demanding increased representation for Harijans in the Constituent Assembly attempted to repeat his Satyagraha today also at the same place.

The Chief Secretary to the Government soon came to the spot, had his placard removed and asked him to go out of the fort area. Mr. Arulappan thereupon left the Secretariat.

Earlier this morning Dewan Bahadur N. Sivaraj, President of the All-India Scheduled Classes Federation, met him when he was squatting before the Premier's residence and advised him to discontinue his Satyagraha and concentrate his energies on bigger issues affecting the general welfare of his community.

Maharashtra's Lead

Provincial Congress Takes Steps To Implement Election Programme

POONA, July 17 (A.P.I.): Co-ordination in the work of the Congress Ministry, Congress M.L.A.'s and Congress organisation in Maharashtra is sought to be brought about by the Executive Committee of the Maharashtra Provincial Congress Committee by the appointment of Committees to work in this direction. At its meeting yesterday the Committee appointed a 'Legislative' Committee, a 'Relief' Committee and proposed the formation of 'District' Committees for this purpose.

The Legislative Committee, which is composed of Mr. P. H. Patwardhan, Member of the Congress Working Committee, Mr. S. S. More, Mr. B. S. Hiray, M.L.A. (Central) and Mr. Vyankatrao Pawar, M.L.A. (Bombay) will consider Government Bills and make their own suggestions thereon and also submit for the consideration of the Ministry draft Bills with a view to implementing the Congress manifesto.

The Relief Committee will consider the day to day grievances of the public and propose relief measures to redress them and try to implement them. Its members are Mr. T. R. Deogirikar, Mr. Bhaussaheb Raut, Mr. G. R. Deshpande and Mr. G. A. Deshpande.

The functions of the District Committees, which will be composed of Congress M.L.A.'s from respective District and Presidents and Secretaries of the District Congress Committees, will be to consider the difficulties and problems of their district and place them before the proper authorities with a view to getting them solved.

The appointment of these Committees was welcomed by the Premier, Mr. B. G. Kher, at a joint meeting of members of the Executive Body, Congress M.L.A.'s from Maharashtra and prominent invitees. The meeting was attended by 51 M.L.A.'s and included besides the Premier, two Ministers, Mr. L. M. Patil and Mr. G. D. Tapase.

Various suggestions were made by those present in regard to functions and work of these Committees and the question will be further taken up at the next meeting to be held on Friday.

JAWAHAR & AZAD FOR KASHMIR

Expected In Srinagar On Wednesday Next

(From Our Correspondent)

KASHMIR, July 17.

A telegram from Pandit Nehru reveals that he and Maulana Azad and lawyers for the defence of Shaikh Abdulla are arriving in Srinagar on July 24.

Political circles fear that Pt. Nehru might be externed for a second time.

Official circles are perturbed at the publication of adverse opinions in the Bombay Press, which they hold led to the failure of Kak-Patel meeting.

Jai Prakash-Gandhiji Talks At Panchgani

PANCHGANI, July 17 (U.P.I.): Mr. Jai Prakash Narain, the Congress Socialist Leader and Mr. N. G. Gore, President of the Poona Congress Committee, arrived here this morning. They were accorded a warm reception by the local Congressmen.

Mr. Jai Prakash Narain had long talks with Mahatma Gandhi this afternoon.

Before coming here, Mr. Jai Prakash had been to Satara where he stayed with Captain S. Nimbalkar of the Azad Hind Fouz. Mr. Jai Prakash is expected to leave for Bombay tomorrow.

THREE KILLED IN BIKANER FIRING

BIKANER, July 17 (U.P.I.)—The Director of Publicity, Bikaner State, says that communal riots broke out in Bikaner on July 8 necessitating the promulgation of Section 144 and Curfew. The State police also opened fire resulting in three killed and five injured.

Ahmedabad Riots Echo In Bombay Assembly

LEAGUE CENSURE MOTION TALKED OUT

Short Adjournment Of Current Session Likely

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE)

POONA, July 17.

The possibility of the current session of the Legislative Assembly being adjourned for a fortnight after the election to the Constituent Assembly is completed on Friday is hinted at in informed circles here.

Government have before them a heavy legislative programme. As many as seventeen Bills dealing with a variety of subjects were to be gone through. So far, however, only one comparatively minor Bill has been passed and two more are on the anvil. The rest are in various stages of preparation, none having been completed.

Hence the need for adjournment. On the other hand any such adjournment is likely to lead to the inconvenience to the M. L. A.'s already assembled here not to speak of the expense. Final decision will be taken in a day or two.

PROCEEDINGS IN DETAIL

POONA, July 17 (API)—Today, being an official day, the first business to be taken up for discussion was a Bill to amend the Bombay Village Panchayats Act, 1933, which was moved by Mr. G. D. Vartak, Minister for Local Self-Government.

When leave to move the next Bill "to re-enact the Bombay Tenancy (Amendment Act) 1941 and to amend the Bombay Tenancy Act 1939, was sought by Mr. Morarji Desai, Revenue Minister, Khan Saheb A. A. Khan appealed to the mover to postpone consideration as copies of the Original Act were not available and as some time was necessary for consideration of the amendments. Mr. Morarji Desai said that this is an old Act and as such this complaint does not hold water. Mr. B. G. Kher requested the Opposition to allow the first reading to go through and promised that copies of the old Act would be made available.

The Revenue Minister then moved the first reading of the Bill.

In his preliminary remarks the Revenue Minister said this Bill had been brought to remove certain difficulties in the administration of the Tenancy Act. Due to the poverty and ignorance of the tenants, they did not know how to protect themselves with the help of this Act. This Bill would give the tenants better protection.

ONUS OF PROOF

Mr. Morarji Desai added: "In the 25 Clauses one of the Clauses defines clearly who should be called a tenant thus removing the ambiguity in the minds of some persons. By some other Clauses the onus of proving that a particular tenant is not a protected tenant, and of proving his claim of forfeiture of the land to him from the tenant has been put on the landlord. Many of the Clauses have been inserted to put a check on the landlords. By one Clause every tenant who is not a protected tenant will have the lease of the land for not less than ten years."

THAKORE SAHEB'S PLEA

The Thakore Saheb of Kerwada (Gujarat Sardars and Inamdars, Landholders) said that the Bill was not harmless as it was shown to be. He suggested that before bringing in such a Bill a campaign of literacy should have been started. "We Talukdars have shed our blood on our lands and we are not the creation of British Imperialism. The lands have not been bestowed upon us by the Government." He suggested that a Select Committee be appointed to decide once and for all the rights of landlords and tenants.

Mr. M. M. Bhaiji said that by the

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97 Arrested In Poona

Scheduled Caste Demonstrators Prefer Jail To Fine

POONA, July 17 (A.P.I.): The "Satyagraha" campaign launched by the Scheduled Castes Federation is continuing for the third day to-day. Batches of five and ten were seen shouting slogans and waving black flags opposite the Council Hall, in defiance of the orders of the District Magistrate.

The organisers of "Satyagraha" also took out a procession from the "Satyagraha" camp at Baba Jan Chowk. The procession was stopped by the Police at the Railway Goods Depot on the Wellesley Road at a dissance of half a mile from the Council Hall.

The procession returned back to the camp peacefully after over an hour.

POLICE ELUDED

Demonstrations continued after the Assembly had started its work and two Scheduled Caste volunteers managed to evade the police guarding the entrances to Council Hall and shouted slogans outside the windows of the Assembly Hall disturbing the proceedings. One of them threw a black kerchief into the Hall.

The police arrested in all 97 Satyagrahis to-day. These include nine women.

YERAVDA TRIAL

114 more Scheduled Caste Satyagrahis, who were arrested yesterday, were sent to jail to-day bringing the total number of Satyagrahis under imprisonment since the commencement of the movement to 124.

To-day's batch of 114 included 13 women who were asked to pay a fine of Rs. 25 each or undergo in default 15 days' simple imprisonment. The women preferred to go to jail.

Of the 101 men "Satyagrahis", 37 were awarded a fine of Rs. 30 or in defaut one month's simple imprisonment and the mainingg 64 a fine of Rs. 50 or in default two months' simple imprisonment. All of them refused to pay the fine.

The trial took place in the Yeravda Jail where the demonstrators were placed in custody.

Stop Press

SECRET DEAL

NANKING, July 17, (A.P.A.) An authoritative source said today that the Chinese Foreign office had learned of a secret deal between Soviet Russia and the Mongolian people's republic which would permit the garrisoning of Russian troops in Mongolia.

The informant said that nationalist China was expected to oppose the petition of the Mongolian Republic for membership of the United Nations because of this agreement.

PORTUGUESE BAN NEWS

LISBON, July 17, (U.P.A.) Portuguese censorship today banned the publication in newspapers of the report that India lid a claim to Portuguese Goa and that Mahatma Gandhi advocated a passive resistance campaign there.

GANGES TRIBUTARIES IN SPATE

BENARES, July 17 (A.P.I.): Rivers Armansa, Gadahi and Chandrabhaga are in spate according to a report received from Sakaldiha near Benares by the District Magistrate. Knee-deep water is flowing over a portion of the Grand Trunk Road near Sakaldiha causing breach of communications. Over hundred villages in Tehsil Chandauli are surrounded by water. Rescue parties with boats have been dispatched to the affected areas by the authorities. No loss of life is reported.

Postmen on strike held a meeting at Gowalia Tank Maidan last evening. Mr. R. S. Nimbkar in the picture is seen addressing them.

Ambedkar's Threat Of Country-wide Satyagraha

Charges British Govt. With Breach-Of Faith In Agreeing To "Sacrifice Scheduled Castes To Win Over Congress"

BOMBAY, July 17 (A. P. A.): A warning that the present Satyagraha movement launched by the representatives of the All-India Scheduled Castes Federation at Poona ultimately will become country-wide in the "same form of the struggle launched by the Congress in August 1942" came from Dr. B. R. Ambedkar, President of the Federation.

ONLY THE BEGINNING

"This is only the beginning of our struggle," Dr. Ambedkar said in an interview with the A.P.A. "When the struggle is forced to take the form of the Congress movement, we will do everything as the Congress did in the August disturbances."

Dr. Ambedkar described the Scheduled Caste demonstrations now going on in Poona as "a protest against the breaking of every sort of promise given to the Scheduled Castes by the British Government during the last 20 years. It is a complete breach of faith of our community of which Britain stands guilty before the bar of world opinion."

"Unless and until we secure recognition as a minority entitled to protection and safeguards in the constitution, this struggle will continue and probably will take a much more virulent form than it has taken so far," he continued. "When the present Assembly Session in Poona is over, the fight will be continued elsewhere in a different form. Then it will be time for the provinces to launch a country-wide struggle against the unjust proposals of the British Government."

RATIONING, A HANDICAP

He said it was the intention of the Federation to continue the demonstrations at Poona in the present form of sending small groups to offer Satyagraha. "The main difficulty against a large scale struggle in Poona at present is rationing," he added. "Otherwise, we would have had a very much bigger demonstration."

Asked whether he provisionally planned to offer Satyagraha in the near future, the Scheduled Castes Federation Leader replied: "It is not necessary for a general to be present on the battlefield. I have got trusted lieutenants who look after the struggle and, certainly, when the development of events necessitats my presence there and my taking part in the struggle, I will be on the scene.

"At present I get all the latest information on the struggle from a personal messenger despatched daily from Poona."

Dr. Ambedkar said he tentatively plans to leave for Poona on Sunday "to see things personally." He said he has received no invitation from Mr. Gandhi or any top-rank Congressmen "to open talks for a settlement of the affair."

'ABSOLUTE BREACH OF FAITH'

He added the Federation, however, was willing to start negotiations with the parties concerned. Dr. Ambedkar continued: "I would like to point out clearly that the Scheduled Castes in this country think that Mr. Gandhi agreed to accept the long-term proposals of the British Cabinet mainly on the ground that the British Ministers agreed to ignore the Scheduled Castes. That is what Mr. Gandhi found to be the greatest advantage in the long-term proposals notwithstanding their vicious character, of which Congress leaders themselves have spoken so much recently. The British Government have agreed to sacrifice the Scheduled Castes in order to win over the Congress, and this I charge is absolute breach of faith" he asserted.

DIRECT ACTION

"I want to make one point quite clear to all concerned," Dr. Ambedkar said. "We like this country to progress as much as anybody else does. We do not want to stand in the way of that. All we want is that our position is safeguarded in the future India.

"To this end, we will take part in every kind of struggle against the British proposals of May 16. If the Muslim League starts any Direct Action, we will be with them. If the Sikhs decide upon launching direct struggle against the British—I fully support the stand taken by the Sikhs at present—then they will also get our support in their action."

RAID ON COMMUNIST PARTY H.Q. NOT ORDERED

Questions In Commons About Arrest Of Army Men In Malaya

LONDON, July 16 (Reuter): The arrest and detention of 267 men of the 13th Paratroop Battalion in Malaya on May 14, 1946, was referred to by Labour Member, H. Austin, in the House of Commons to-day, when he asked if the War Secretary was aware that the armed detachment of the Devonshire Regiment which escorted these men were informed that their duty was that of raiding Communist Party Headquarters. He asked if complaints that led to these arrests had been investigated and whether he was satisfied that the action taken was justified.

Mr. Frederick Bellenger, Financial Secretary to the War Office, replied: "Circumstances leading up to the arrest of the men of the 13th Paratroop Battalion and complaints of the men concerned have been the subject of investigations by courts of inquiry, reports of which have not yet reached the Secretary for War. Until these are available he is not in a position to make a statement. He understands there is no truth in the statement that a detachment of Devonshire Regiment referred to were told that they were to raid Communist Party Headquarters.

SYMPATHETIC TREATMENT ASSURED

Mr. Austin asked if Mr. Bellenger would give sympathetic consideration to the views of other ranks concerned if he sent him evidence and if there was guarantee that there would be no victimisation. He wanted other ranks views heard as well as those of officers.

Mr. Bellenger replied that both the Secretary of State and he himself always paid attention to the views of other ranks as well as officers.

COLABA RECORDS 'QUAKE SHOCK

BOMBAY, July 17 (API): An earthquake shock of slight intensity at its origin about 2,920 miles away was recorded by the seismograph at the Colaba Observatory at 11-05 a.m. on July 16, 1946.

BOMBAY SUBURBAN ELECTRIC SUPPLY

Workers Resolve To Give Notice Of Strike

An extraordinary general body meeting of the Bombay Suburban Electric Supply Employees' Union was held on Wednesday under the presidentship of Mr. T. N. Desai, when after a long discussion over the improvement of the lot of the workers in the Company, the following resolution was adopted:—

"This meeting regrets to note that the Board of Directors have not till today satisfied the members on the following issues though they have again been reminded of the grievances and discontent of the members of the staff: (1) new grades, (2) casual leaves, (3) provident fund rules, (4) increments to lower staff similar to that given to a higher staff.

The meeting therefore resolves that a notice of strike be given to the Managing Agents, Messrs. Killick, Nixon and Co., to be declared from August 1, 1946 and that the Managing Committee should take all steps both to organise the strike and to bring about a settlement if and when called upon by the Management or by the Government of Bombay, Labour Department."

The Management have been notified for bringing about an early settlement with the Committee of the Union including its Honorary Adviser, Mr. S. H. Jhabvala.

Probate Granted To Well-Known Eye-Surgeon's Will

(Before The Hon'ble Mr. Justice Chagla).

Dr. Edalji Dhanjisha Anklesaria & Others .. Plaintiffs.

vs.

Aimai Maneckshaw Anklesaria & Another .. Defendants.

Dr. Dhanjisha Edalji Anklesaria, the well-known eye-surgeon of Ahmedabad died on 27th April, 1944, leaving three sons, four daughters and four-grandchildren by a predeceased son Dr. Maneckshaw. He left two Wills dated 8th May, 1934, and 25th April, 1944, respectively. In the later one of these two Wills, the deceased had referred to a draft of a Trust Deed which he had got prepared in his lifetime in respect of securities of the value of Rs. 9 lakhs and in the annuities given by the Trust Deed, he made certain alterations by this Will. The petitioners as the surviving executors applied for probate of the two wills of the deceased, including the draft Trust Deed. Relying on Section 64 of the Succession Act the plaintiff contended that the draft Trust Deed must be deemed to form part of the Second Will in which it was referred to. The defendants, two of the executors of Dr. Maneckshaw, the predeceased son of the testator, filed a caveat objecting to probate being granted in respect of the draft Trust Deed. They, contended that a mere reference to the Trust Deed in the second Will did not render it a testamentary document and that it could not be said to have been incorporated in the Second Will (29 Bom. 530 P.C.). The total estate left by the deceased Dr. Dhanjisha in respect of which probate was applied for by the plaintiffs was worth over Rs. 20 lakhs.

Accepting the evidence of Mr. Desai, Solicitor, a partner in the firm of Messrs. Pereira Fazalbhoy & Co., His Lordship stated that he was satisfied that the draft produced was the only draft of the Trust Deed in existence at the death of the Testator and that this was the Trust Deed referred to in the second Will. Distinguishing the Privy Council Case of Gangabai vs. Bhugwandas Valji (29 Bom. 530) which was cited on behalf of the defendants, His Lordship held that having regard to the alterations effected by the second Will in the annuities set out in the draft Trust Deed which would not otherwise have effect, there was a clear intention on the part of the testator to give effect to the draft Trust Deed as a testamentary instrument.

His Lordship, therefore, ordered probate of the Wills of 8th May, 1934, and 25th April, 1944, and of the draft Trust Deed to issue.

Mr. M. L. Maneksha, Mr. C. K. Daphtary, Advocate-General, and Mr. S. T. Desai, instructed by Messrs. Perteira Fazalbhoy & Co. appeared for the plaintiffs.

Mr. K. A. Somjee and Mr. H. D. Banaji instructed by Messrs. Dastur & Co. appeared for the defendants.

DHARMA CHAKRA FESTIVAL.—Saturday last was a day of great importance in the history of Buddhism. It was on the full moon day of this month the Buddha preached his first doctrine to the world too months after attaining to Buddhahood. This Kingdom of Righteousness founded by Buddha is known in Pali as the "Dharma Chakra", the setting into motion the wheel of law.

This was celebrated by the Buddha Dutta Society of Worli on the last Purnima Day. A Puja was held by the Bhukka Sangarakkita in the Shrine Hall.

Sjt. P. Rama Iyer presided over the meeting which was held after the Puja. Professor Bhagwat addressed and gave an account of the outstanding history of the day.

Bhukkhu Sangarakkita and Sjt. Rama Iyer then exhorted the audience to the study of the great doctrine of Lord Buddha which showed the "Middle Path" avoiding of extremes; the shortest way to nirbana.

Mrs. Joseph (Rohini Devi) and Mr. I. H. Fernando addressed the audience and showed the principles of Buddha's doctrine.

HOW BOMBAY CAN AVERT FAMINE

Masani's Plea For Consumption Of Unrationed Food

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

The last three months of the year would present the provincial food problem in all its seriousness, observed Mr. M. R. Masani speaking this evening under the auspices of the United Parsi Association Even if the monsoon recovered, he said, and the next season turned out to be a satisfactory one Bombay's present food supplies and the imports promised would only last till the end of September.

"There is no assurance whatever that imports will be available to this extent," Mr. Masani remarked. He would draw the attention of all concerned to the statement made by Dr. Schultz, the head of the American Famine Mission, which recently toured India, that India should be "very very fortunate" if she were able to maintain even the present ration of twelve ounces of cereal, which yielded only about 1,000 calories a day.

On behalf of the Peoples' Provincial Food Council, which had launched a scheme for encouraging the organised voluntary saving of food, he appealed to those who were rich enough to consume unrationed food like vegetables, fruits, milk, eggs, meat and fish, to forgo at least half their cereal ration by doing without either rice or wheat.

Dr. Syud Hossain delivered a brief speech on the educational opportunities for Indians in the United States. Dr. Hossain urged Indian students to utilise the great potentialities of American schools, colleges and universities to gain knowledge that would help solve the pressing problems of India.

Mirchandani Asks For Extension Of Leave

BOMBAY, Wednesday.—The Secretary to the Government, General Department, has addressed to the Standing Committee, Municipal Corporation stating that Mr. U. M. Mirchandani, Municipal Commissioner, has applied to Government for an extension of leave upto September 21 next, and that sanction be communicated to the Government as soon as possible.

The Standing Committee on Wednesday postponed consideration of this matter for a week.

MUNICIPAL SECRETARY

There has been a change in the Municipal Secretary's office since this week.

Mr. B. V. Mody, Municipal Secretary, has gone on leave from the 15th instant till the 17th proximo. Consequently, the following changes have taken place in the Municipal personnel:

Mr. C. F. DeSouza will be acting Municipal Secretary, Mr. P. R. Mullaferoze, will act as Deputy Municipal Secretary.

Mr. U. A. Vyavaharkar, will act Assisant Secretary (Sr.), and Mr. S. V. Sorab as Assistant Secretary (Jr.)

First Ford Pre-view

BOMBAY, Wednesday.—There was a big attendance at a private preview of the new Ford range of cars and trucks for 1946 staged at United Motors, Hughes Road, today.

Questioned as to on what date the new cars and trucks would be on view and available to the general public, a Fordindia official confirmed that Saturday, July 20th was fixed as the day for general release. The range offered for 1946, the first new Ford offerings for four years, are radically different in most respects, and are definitely "new" cars and trucks in every sense of the word. Maintaining and reflecting the Ford tradition throughout, they show every promise of being Ford's greatest success yet.

AUTHORITIES DODGING FAIR TRIAL OF R. I. N. MEN

Purshottam Says They Are Resorting To Summary Procedure And Defeating Ends Of Justice

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

The allegation that summary procedure is being employed by the Royal Indian Navy authorities against R.I.N. personnel "to defeat the ends of justice", is made by Mr. Purshottam Tricumdas, President of the Indian ex-Services Association, in a statement.

"In spite of the solemn assurances given by the Commander-in-Chief that there would be no victimisation at the end of the R.I.N. strike, a few hundred of the personnel were arrested and put in jail at Mulund and Kalyan camps near Bombay. Similarly all over the country and particularly in Karachi, a number of the personnel were put under arrest", says Mr. Purshottam.

He adds: "A fairly large number of them were dismissed with the totally unjustifiable remark 'unsuitable for service', which made it impossible for them to get any other employment under the Government. Again, many of them were sentenced to terms of imprisonment varying from 42 to 90 days under what is known as 'summary procedure' and, at the end of their sentence, dismissed with disgrace.

"The authorities, however, decided to put up four men for Court Martial, which was to have taken place on June 7. It was later postponed to July 5, but on July 4, I was informed that the case had been postponed 'sine die.'

"Last week, I was informed that the authorities had decided not to proceed by way of Court Martial against these four men, but intended to deal with them also in a summary fashion."

"This decision, Mr. Purshottam alleges, was evidently actuated by the fact that a strong Defence Committee had been set up at the instance of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and these four men were to be defended by a panel of legal men headed by Mr. K. M. Munshi.

"The authorities obviously realised that in a fair trial they were bound to lose and fell back on summary procedure."

"Of the ten men, who were in detention in Bombay, three have been dismissed with disgrace and the remaining seven sentenced to 90 days' imprisonment, to be followed by 'dismissal with disgrace.'

"It will be recalled that these men had been in detention since about February 25 this year, and thus have been detained for more than four months and a half before the authorities decided to act in this thoroughly unjustified and petty-minded manner."

Smuts As Canada's Governor-General!

OTTAWA, July 17 (Reuter): In the Canadian Parliament, the Conservative member for Lanark, North Riding, Ontario, said that he would like to see the South African Premier, General Jan Christian Smuts, appointed Governor-General of Canada at some future date. He was emphasizing his desire for an inter-change of Governors between the different parts of the Commonwealth as a means of knowing and spreading knowledge in Canada.

LETTER FROM AMERICA

Primary Elections Results In U.S. Reflect Public Opinion

WASHINGTON, July 12—The first working evaluation of post-war public opinions in the United States can be made this week as the results of primary elections in the various states become known.

During the later years of the war political evaluation of public opinion and therefore a number of public issues remained undecided as the people at home wondered what would be the influence on the total electorate of millions of soldiers once they returned to civilian life. Questions as to whether they would be internationally minded as a result of their experiences and whether life in the armed services would make them more liberal or more conservative have been subjects of conversation in political circles for many months.

Now the boys are back. The bulk of post-war demobilization has been accomplished. Service men and women have taken up a new way of life and have discussed their opinons with friends and relatives who remained home during the war.

The scene is set for the first peacetime political campaign in six years.

Dramatically, the play opened this week as a number of states held their democratic and Republican party primary elections to select candidates they will place on the public ballot next fall. Political leaders are selecting their likeliest candidates, sampling and estimating public opinion, manoeuvring for position. Then, next November, will come the contest between the two parties and their platforms.

PRIMARY ELECTION SYSTEM EXPLAINED

The primary election in the United States is a method used by political parties to select their candidates for election. Only members can participate in the primaries of their party and members are usually defined as those who have been in accord with party policies for a stated, but varying, number of years.

On November 5, 1946—the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, as prescribed by federal law—the entire membership of the U. S. House of Representatives and one-third of the members of the U. S. Senate must be elected. In addition, 34 state governors are up for election, together with members of most state legislators. In preparation for these elections, candidates are now being selected by party organizations for all the posts to be filled.

Throughout the south—with the exception of west Virginia and Kentucky—nomination in the Democratic primary is tantamount to election. The Democrats always win because, since the day after the Civil War when the northern Republicans were held responsible for the difficulties of the reconstruction period, there have been no Republicans in any significant strength in those states. The election contests are between Democratic party factions at the primaries.

In each of 48 states separate issues are being resolved. The dates for the primaries vary and in some states there are no primaries at all, party candidates being selected at a convention. This week's primary election results varied, therefore, with the issues at stake.

In the state of Mississippi Senator Theodore G. Bilbo and Representative John Rankin won renomination at the all-powerful Democratic party primary.

In California, the victory of Governor Earl Warren was interpreted as an indication of weakness of the Political Action Committee of the Congress of Industrial Organizations, which became famous for political power during the wartime elections. The same issue is at stake in Pennsylvania.—USIS.

BRIDGE GULF BETWEEN CAPITAL AND LABOUR

B. P. C. C. President's Appeal To Mercantile Community

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Mr. S. K. Patil was the recipient of a reception accorded to him on his election to the Presidentship of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee by the Democratic Group of the Indian Merchants' Chamber at the Taj this evening. Mr. Ratilal Nanavati was in the chair.

Heartily thanking the members for the honour done to him as the President of the B.P.C.C. Mr. S. K. Patil made a spirited and moving appeal to the mercantile community to move with the times and bridge the gulf between them and the working classes. The Congress, he said, needed the co-operation of the captains of industry not only in achieving political freedom for the country, but commercial and economic freedom as well.

He deplored the present policy of the industrialists in stooping down to grant concessions only at the eleventh hour. If they did not set to readjusting their relations with the working classes now they would have to confront greater dangers in future, he said. Relating his experiences in the recent labour troubles in the city Mr. Patil said he had found most of the industrialists were adopting "unnational attitude" towards the problems of the country.

Mr. Patil extolled the services rendered to the cause of the country by the commercial community. For the last 20 years, he said, there had been wonderful co-operation between the merchants and the Congress in the development of political life in India. Their contribution in bringing the B.P.C.C. to its present stature was great. And similarly in making Bombay the 'urbs prima in Indis'.

Concluding he again made an appeal to the business community for sympathetic consideration of the demands of the working classes and warned them against the dangers of escapism.

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OFFICERS

Royal Indian Artillery

Lieut. Nand Lal.

16th Punjab Regiment

2/Lieut. Amir Singh

1st Bahawalpur Infantry (I.S.F.)

2234 Lieut. Muhammad Jan

I. A. M. C.

R.O/17840 Capt. Jagdev Singh
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2nd Punjab Regiment

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9472 Jem. Ranjodh Singh.

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11133 Jem. Basant Singh
14795 Jem Jai Ram

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10804 Jem. Balbir Singh

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6124 Sub. Manbahadur Rana

1st Bahawalpur Infantry (I.S.F.)

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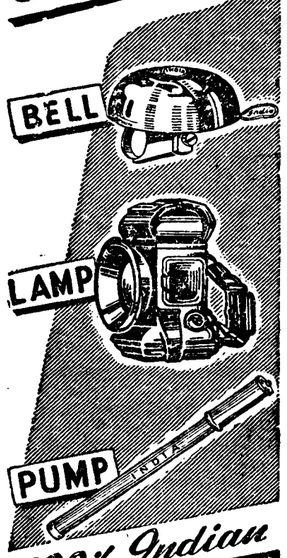

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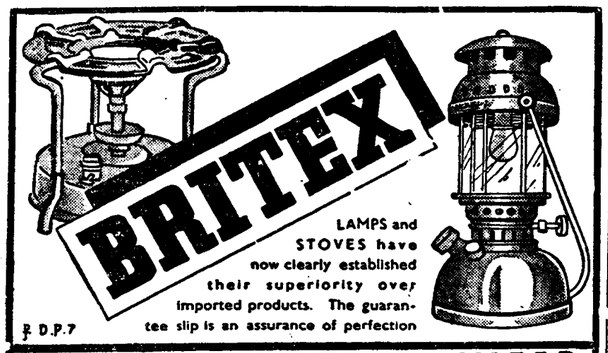

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Today's Engagements

NOTICE TO JURORS

Common Jurors' attention is drawn to the Notice appearing in the Public Notifications Column.

INDIAN LANGUAGES NEWSPAPERS ASSOCIATION: Annual general meeting at Janmabhoomi Office, 138 Medows Street, Fort, at 9-0 A.M. today.

CHUNILAL MEHTA JAIN VIDYALAYA STUDENTS UNION: Sjt. Ramnarayan V. Pathak's talk at the Vidyalaya Hall, 14, Murzban Road, at 8-30 P.M. today.

MAZDAZNAN at 6 p.m. today at Alexandra Girls' School Hall Waudby Road, Miss Mawalyala will speak on "Glimpse from a Biological Diary" and Dr. M. Parekh on "Some Specific Adult Problems".

FELLOWSHIP SCOUT FRATERNITY: (HINDUSTAN SCOUT ASSOCIATION) Rangar Vasanti H. Shah will talk to Rovers and Rangers on "Impressions of my study tour in America" at 6 p.m. today at the Fellowship School.

INDIAN ECOLOGICAL SOCIETY: Symposium on Mangroves. Speakers: Mr. M. C. McCann; Dr. F. R. Bharucha; Prof. J. F. R. d'Almeida at Royal Institute of Science in the Biology lecture room, at 6 p.m. today.

APPEAL TO KANNADIGAS: Representatives of Kannada Associations in Bombay will observe the 63th birthday of Mr. T. P. Kailasa on July 20 when a purse will be presented to him. The Kannadigas requested to send their contributions to the Secretary, C/o Mysore Association, Matunga.

LLOYDS BANK STAFF UNION: The Employees of the Lloyds Bank Limited, Bombay, presented a list of their demands to the management on Monday. They include revision of the scales of pay, dearness allowance, Provident Fund, gratuity benefits and indianisation of the officers cadre."

JUPITER GENERAL INSURANCE CO. EMPLOYEES' UNION: The first general body meeting of the Jupiter General Insurance Company, Employees' Union was held in Tambe Hall on Friday last. Mr. H. R. Pardiwalla, and Mr. F. M. Pinto, member of the BPCC., were elected president and general secretary respectively. The meeting passed the constitution of the Union and asked the Managing Committee to register the Union as early as possible.

TELEGRAPH NOTIFICATION: Postal restrictions are extended to all Post Offices in Malabar district, namely, Calicut Head Office and all offices under it and Cherpalcheri, Chowghat, Edapal, Guruvayur, Kunnamkulam, Manmarghat, Pattambi, Perintalmanna, Ponnani, Tanur and Tirur sub-offices and their branch offices all under Palghat Head Post Office.

M. H. SABOO SIDDIK INSTITUTION: The M. H. Saboo Siddik Technical Institution Trust has invited Dr. Amina Brandt, Ph.D. (Germany) to deliver a series of 6 lectures on Vocational Guidance. The series will be inaugurated by Dr. M. B. Rehman on 22nd July at the Saboo Siddik Institution Hall, Byculla at 6 p.m. (S.T.). Dr. Brandt has extensive experience of Vocational Guidance in Germany and other places and it is hoped that the lectures will be of special interest to the teachers.

INDIAN COUNCIL OF WORLD AFFAIRS: Louis Fischer will meet Council members and lead a discussion on the world problem on Monday, at 6 p.m. in the Board Room (4th Floor), Bombay House, Bruce Street. Meeting open to members.

3 Arts Special Fundtion

In honour of Sahebzadi Kishwar Begum and Dr. Syed Husein was marked on the 14th by success. Atiya Begum in welcoming the guests said that the Sahebzadi had founded a movement of women in Lucknow which had attained astounding results and that she should have a branch of it in Bombay. It is called "progress" and is progressive in every sphere of life. The country would not be redeemed unless women lay the foundation. As for Dr. Syed Husein he had created and a definite awakening, and people rushed to hear his polished language straight and direct diagnosis and sound suggestions. The distinguished guests were listened to with attention. Kishwar Begum spoke in classical Urdu surveying the condition of India upholding Arts in every form and described her intensely interesting movement. Samina Khatun recited her compositions. Mr. Fyzee Rahaman's remarks about the high qualities of women giving many Biblical references etc., and Dr. Syed Husein's address were most arresting. The Sahebzadi recited her own compositions in Brij Bhasha by request. All items elicited applause. The party was large and distinguished and attended the Metro Show later Miss Puli and Mr. Makani thanked the speakers and guests and announced future activities.

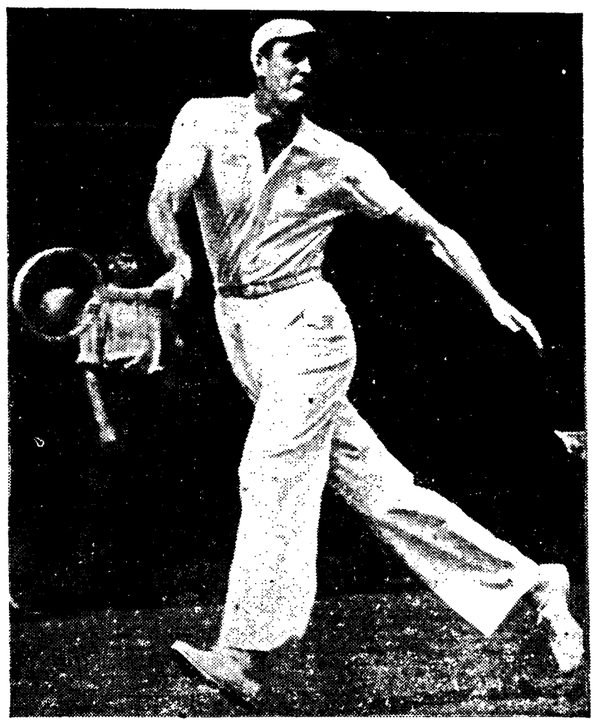
W.I.A.A.'s Telegram To Government

The Western India Automobile Association has sent a telegram to the Government of India, War Transport Department stating that with the passage of the American loan to Britain the main difficulty in importing petrol from dollar sources has been removed.

The Committee of the Association suggest that government should take immediate steps to obtain generous relaxation, if not total abandonment, of petrol rationing forthwith.

Reduced Hours Of Work In Mills From August 1

BOMBAY July 17, (API): Hours of work in cotton mills would be reduced from 54 to 48 per week or from 9 hours per day to 8 from 1st August 1946. The reduction in hours would naturally result in loss of production and a corresponding drop in earnings in the case of workmen employed in peice-work occupations. To prevent this, however, and to enable the piece work operatives to maintain their earnings, the Millowners' Association Bombay has announced an increase of 12-1/2 per cent in the basic rates of wages in all piece-work occupations with effect from 1st August, 1946. The wages of time-workers have not been reduced and they will continue to receive the same rates of wages though they would be putting in one hour less per day.



Wimbledon's Champion of 1946, the 6 feet-7 inch Yvon Petra (France) photographed when he won the Singles Crown by beating Geoff Brown (Australia), 6-2, 6-4, 7-9, 5-7, 6-4 in an exciting final last Friday.—Reuterphoto.

Hinrich Shield Football

LEICESTERS ROUTED IN SEMI-FINAL

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

TRADES	6
LEICESTER	0

RESULT OF FIRST LEG

TRADES	2
LEICESTER	0

The Leicesters were hopelessly outclassed in the second leg of the semi-final for the Hinrich Memorial Shield. Their forwards, never particularly impressive, were nowhere in the picture throughout the 70 minutes, play. The utmost they could do was to make stray raids in their opponents goal area. There was not a single moment when they might be called to have a reasonable chance of scoring. The attacking line saw very little of the ball, but the intermediary line and the last defenders were kept extremely busy.

The usually brilliant custodian Heath was hopelessly off-colour today and did hardly anything right. At least on two distinct occasions he was made to look ridiculous. Apart from the first half when the ultimate losers managed to scramble together, Heath was being constantly tested and made many slips.

While the Leicesters fielded the same side, there were two changes in the Trades team from the one that met Leicesters two days before Manuel was replaced by Suvarna and Shewa replaced Narayan in the right-half position while the latter played centre-forward.

There was one glaring lapse on the part of referee courage, whose rank ignorance of the elementary games of the game can on no account be excused. He awarded a free kick some 35 yards from the Trades goal. One of the Leicesters took the kick and dribbled all the way to the Trades' goal mouth without the ball touching any other player.

Only one goal was scored before the interval by Raymond, but a spate of goals followed on resumption, Bhimrao, Raymond, Narayan, Parab and Parab scored in that order.

The Teams:—

TRADES S. C.: Sanjiva; Suvarna and Rathnam; Shewa, Rashad and Govind; Bhimrao, Parab, Narayan, Raymond and Dhakuram.

LEICESTER: Heath, Tunous and Smith; Louden, Finch and Walker; Buckley, Cutts, Brown, Burton and Hewitt.

Referee: Courage.

This evening at 5-45 p.m. Movement Control vs. Tata (replay).

Appeal To Leaguers Attending Bombay Session

The Secretary Bombay Provincial Muslim League writes:

"Those members of the Working Committee and the Council of All-India Muslim League who wish us to make arrangements for their residence either at some specific hotels or otherwise should immediately inform us of the same so as to enable to do our best in the matter. It is expected that some accommodation will be found for the members of the Council. It is also expected that reservation of a few rooms could be possible if earlier intimation is given to us. Members are, therefore, requested to inform us of the date of their arrival in Bombay and the type of arrangement.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

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THURSDAY, July 18.

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12-0 p.m. "Vanita Mandal" 12-45 News (M) 12-50 News (G) 12-55 Abhang, Bhajans and Gawlans 1-25 News (H) 1-30 News (E) 1-40 Music 4-20 School Broadcast (G) 5-0 Zahid Husain 5-15 Children's Half-Hour 5-45 Topic of Day 5-55 Locals 6-0 News (E) 6-10 News (H) 6-15 Music From Film 6-30 Hamida Bano: (Vocal) 6-45 Vijay Masurekar 7-0 "Kinariche Andhale" 7-30 V J Joshi (Lucknow (Vocal) 8-0 News (M) 8-15 News (G) 8-30 Avyay: Jain Gujarati by J H Dave) 8-45 To Be Announced 9-0 News (E) 9-15 News (H) 9-30 B B C News 9-40 Programme Parade 9-45 Sports Review By Jit Kantawala 10-0 Richard Crooks (Tenor), 10-15 D Pereira and Radio Quartet 10-30 Amelita Galli-Curci (Soprano) 10-40 Dominic Pereira and his Radio Quartet.

The Sportsman's Sportsfolio

Vijay Hazare's Magnificent Effort Against Yorkshire

By J. C. Maitra

The strain of the tour seems to be telling on some of the Indian cricketers already. Well, I don't blame them for it. They are not accustomed to play for so many hours every day during six days in the week. Then they have to go from place to place to fulfil their engagements with the various counties. But for the salubrious climate of Britain all of them would have collapsed long ago. There were so many casualties in their ranks that they had a job to field a complete team. The worst of it was that both the wicketkeepers, Hindlekar and Nimbalkar, are 'hors de combat' So Amarnath, one of our most effective bowlers, and Gul Mahomed, one of the best fielders, had to do only behind the sticks against Derbyshire and Yorkshire at Sheffield. Under such circumstances, it is really very pleasing to see the tourists beat Derby in a dramatic manner and give Yorks a good run for their money.

RAYS OF SUNSHINE

The credit for defeating Derby must go in the main to Pataudi who recorded his third century (113 to be exact) of the tour, Rusi Modi who was very unlucky to miss this honour by a single run, and to Amarnath who practically carried the entire burden of the warfare, including the Captaincy, on his able shoulders. His contribution of 89 in the second venture was indeed highly praiseworthy. Pity he missed the coveted three figures so narrowly.

In the return match against Yorks we were rather fortunate that five of their regular players, including Len Hutton who had hit up 183 not out in the initial engagement, were to play. Still we were far from a happy position. Pat's chief headache was the absence of the wicketkeepers. The home batsmen took full advantage of it. Who can blame Gul Mahomed for missing catches behind the stumps? Aided by dropped catches and poor fielding Yorks knocked up 300 for 6 wickets and applied closure under the new experimental rule.

HAZARE FOLLOWS MERCHANT

Sellers, their Captain, must have thought that rain might help him to skittle out the visitors on Monday. The latter began their reply so badly—losing 3 wickets for 41 runs—that a catastrophe seemed imminent. With Merchant was out, for 7 and Modi for 5, a collapse was almost inevitable. This was the tenth occasion—out of 21 innings he has batted,—Vijay succumbed to his heodoo—the l.b.w. How to save our greatest batsman from this calamity must be the question agitating the minds of all his colleagues and sympathisers. Every bowler in England now knows how to get him out. Still he piles up runs against the best of them. However, it is time he takes less risks on the leg side than he generally does. He ought to remember that the fate of his team depends largely on him.

Everybody here is delighted to hear that Vijay Hazare has also scored a double century—244—without losing his wicket. This puts him ahead of Merchant's record by a couple of runs. Then he helped to shatter two more records. In association with Vinoo Mankad he put on 322 for the fourth wicket, Vinoo contributing a splendid 132, and later, joined by Pataudi carried the total to the massive figure of 490 for 5 wickets. This is an excellent augury for the next Test which begins at Old Trafford on Saturday.

1,500 Sewri Ordnance Men On Strike

BOMBAY, Wednesday.—About 1,500 workers of the Ordnance Depot at Sewri struck work today in sympathy with the strike of the R.A.F. civilian drivers.

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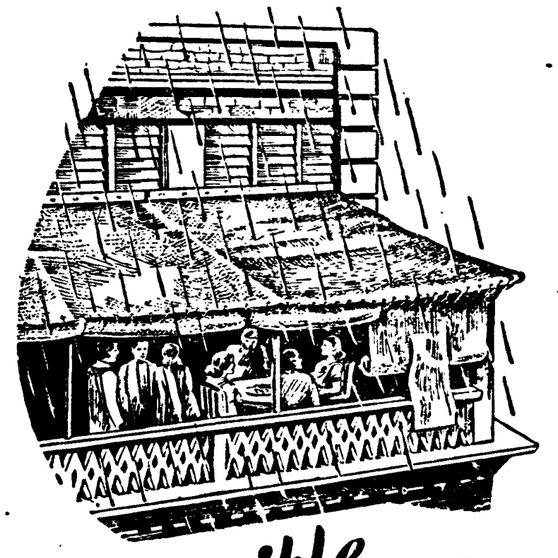
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A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

A dualistic abstraction, urged as a gospel and urged until it creates the reality of dualism, may become the great and compelling factor in human life; and if that happens the presuppositions of democracy will have vanished. There will be no single society, there will be no common terms of debate, there will be difference of opinion far too acute for any agreement to differ, and divisions of policy far too deep to be bridged by any compromise.

—Ernest Barker.

The Bombay Chronicle

POSSIBILITIES OF KANARA

The last Government of Bombay made some show of planning the economic development of the province but grievously neglected several districts possessing industrial possibilities. One such district was North Kanara, which needed special consideration not merely because of its possibilities but also because of its extreme poverty, it being the poorest district in the province. So it was that Mr. J. H. Shamsuddin, an M. L.A. of that district, moved a resolution in the Assembly requesting Government to appoint a committee of experts including some members of the Assembly to inquire into the possibilities of large scale industries in the district with special reference to the establishment of paper, glass, tiles and match factories. "The district is believed to abound in raw materials for these and other industries and also possesses cheap labour. Hence the resolution. It was supported by Messrs. S. S. Shastri and S. P. Gaonkar, both members for Kanara, the latter being a Parliamentary Secretary. It was also supported by many other members, including the representatives of the Indian Merchants' Chamber. But it was defeated, not because the House did not accept the principle of the resolution but rather on technical grounds. As the result gives the appearance of differences of opinion where there are really none, one wonders if the resolution could not have been suitably modified and accepted.

Mr. V. L. Mehta, Minister for Finance and Village Industries, who knows Kanara well, persuaded the first Congress Ministry to allot grants for and otherwise support the industries in that district and, we believe, has fresh plans now, too. But he rightly pointed out that the resolution, as it was worded, was confined to only one district and only large industries, whereas Government was actually considering all feasible industries in the province as a whole. As a matter of fact the Industries Committee, appointed by the last Government, and its various sub-committees are due to submit their reports in a month or two. In view of these circumstances both Mr. Mehta and Mr. G. D. Tapase, Minister for Industries, urged the mover of resolution to withdraw it, if only for the time being. One can quite understand his anxiety not to abandon a resolution after all the interests it had enlisted for its principle. He might have so modified it as to urge Government to give due importance to the special possibilities and claims of Kanara in formulating its decisions on the report of the Industries Committee. But for one reason or other Mr. Shamsuddin refrained from either withdrawing the resolution or modifying it. And it was defeated. We hope, however, that Government will make all necessary inquiries about the special conditions in Kanara before formulating its final decisions on industrial development.

There are some peculiar features of Kanara which deserve the special attention of the Government and which Government can best examine with the expert knowledge at its disposal. North Kanara has too good ports, Karwar and Bhatkal, which, if developed, promise great things, it being understood the Railway will be extended to both the ports. But Government can best decide whether the high cost of developing them can be justified by the gains accruing in the not distant future. At present many people have but hazy notions about this subject. But Government may examine how far the current schemes are feasible.

Protect The Tenants

The Bill to amend the Khoti Settlement Act of 1880 has been sponsored by the Bombay Government not a day too soon. The old Khoti system is of a mediaeval feudal type and confers political power on the Khots or big landlords. It has long been grievously abused and entailed much suffering upon the tenants, whose rights have been trampled upon by the Khots owing to their uncertainty and the force of custom. The new Bill seeks to maintain a record of the just rights of the tenants as well as the Khots so as to prevent the exploitation of the former by the latter. But Mr. Morarji Desai, Minister for Revenue, made it clear that Government did want to give special protection to the tenants in view of their special need for it. As was to be expected, some of the critics said that the Bill did not go far enough in giving protection to the tenants and some objected that it was too hard on the Khots but the Assembly rightly supported the principle of the Bill, namely to maintain a record of rights and ensure their due protection, and referred the Bill to a Select Committee. It is open to the Committee to improve the details of the Bill, but care should be taken to see that the protection given to tenants under the Congress Government's Tenancy Act should be extended to the tenants under Khots. The weaker party, namely, the tenants must be given special protection.

Necessary, Though Belated

The period of three months' notice required for terminating the Indo-South African Trade Agreement having expired the Government of India has at last rightly decided to proceed with further measures against the Union. It has strictly prohibited exports to and imports from the Union. The prohibition has come not a day too soon. For some unpatriotic Indian exporters had got ready to export large consignments to South Africa and had even fixed upon a steamer for the purpose. We trust they will refrain from attempting to circumvent the prohibitory regulations. Such persons are aptly regarded by the Indians in South Africa as "executioners of their fellow countrymen suffering in Durban jails". The new prohibitory regulations may induce the authorities in South Africa to be more cruel towards the Indian Satyagrahis. Already the authorities, we are told by the Secretary of the Natal Congress in his cable to the Viceroy, "are doing everything to break the morale of the resisters by means of cruelty to prisoners" and many resisters "are being dealt with more severely than ordinary criminals". But one is heartened by the statement made in the same cable that "the cruelty of the oppressors makes us only more determined to continue the struggle for emancipation from the oppression of the White rulers."

Frankly Speaking

Kalat Wants Baluchistan!

Recently there have been reports of a curious demand made by the Khan of Kalat upon the British Government in India. Now that the British, as they assure us are about to leave India leaving the country to its people, His Highness, so it is reported, has thought it worth while to arrange with the departing rulers a deal whereby he would be enabled to help himself to the best part of Baluchistan including Quetta and other districts. They are areas "leased" about a hundred years ago by the British from Kalat and it has occurred to His Highness now that he should have them back. This "legal" claim is about as valid and justified as would be the demand on the British by the heirs of Oudh Kings for the return of Oudh. It is quite natural for people who have not waked up from the feudalism of a bygone age to regard the quitting of India by the British as an opportunity for grabbing spoils as if the people of the country did not count. And they have been encouraged in this temptation by the British themselves.

Welcome Plain Speaking

The time has, therefore, come for a clear statement as to where such men stand in this age of democratic freedom and on the eve of the transfer of power to the people of this country. The letter of the Congress President, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru to Khan Abdus Samad Khan is as welcome as it was necessary. Congress cannot accept a private deal between the British and Khan of Kalat over the so-called "leased" areas for the very sufficient and final reason that the people are not commodities to be transferred without any reference to them. Sovereignty does not belong to the Khan or any one like him. Nor can it be transferred to any but the people. It is clear also that in the future democratic India there cannot be "sovereign" or "independent" rulers whether in Kalat and Kashmir —areas vitally important to India because situated on the borders of the country—or elsewhere in the interior. "An independent India", says the Congress President, "cannot permit foreign forces and foreign footholds such as Kalat might afford near its own territories". And that applies to other States, too. The British, even more than the blissfully ignorant rulers of States, must realise that no part of this country or its people is there to be gifted to these gentlemen in order to be played with at the sweet feudal eighteenth century will of Indian Highnesses.

Chittagong's Appeal

The eastern districts of Bengal have gone through many agonies brought to them by flooded rivers. But no district or large area has, during the last several years, suffered so much as Chittagong and its people who have just been stricken with that catastrophe. Over six hundred thousand square miles have been flooded involving over a half-a-million unfortunate and poor people. They are still isolated and it is difficult yet to estimate the loss of life which in any case is not going to be light. And it is certain that the survivors have otherwise suffered and lost grievously so that many must have been rendered literally destitute. These half a million poor men, women and children need every kind of relief, medicine, food and money. And they need it urgently. Funds are needed badly for which Shrijut Sarat Chandra Bose has just issued an appeal. It is the duty of every Indian to respond to this appeal and help in getting succour to the stricken people of Chittagong.

Wrong Method

It is quite possible that there exists in Egypt a strong underground Communist movement. Such a movement exists every where in the Middle East. It is also quite possible that it is inspired directly or, more probably, indirectly from abroad. And of course, in the special political and strategic circumstances prevailing in the Mid-East today, the movement is more active than ever before. But has it suddenly become such a danger that it needed an extensive and repressive drive? And supposing it has become a great danger which must be dealt with immediately and effectively, it is an unconvincing argument for striking at the Wafdist newspapers. As the Wafd spokesman reminded the Egyptian Senate, the Wafd had itself fought Communism when it was in power. Sidky Pasha's measures against Communism have naturally raised suspicions in the Opposition camp that they are intended as a smoke screen for the Anglo-Egyptian Treaty. Moreover, if Communism is a danger it is the result of social and economic evils and there is no way—no justification either—of combating it except by removing those evils.

Dangerous Complacence

The postal strike is fast spreading and is complete in Bombay city and probably in many other places. Yet the Postmaster General of Bombay has the temerity to say: "We have all the labour we require for our internal and external work, and the machinery is functioning as efficiently as we can expect under the circumstances." The Director-General, Posts and Telegraphs, is equally complacent and as Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel points out "between these two officers there is a conspiracy to lead people to believe that everything is all right or will soon be all right." Such callousness is dangerous when, in the words of the Sardar, "the strike fever, which is infectious may soon affect other services." The strike fever is abroad in the city and is fraught with dangers. The authorities must, as suggested by Mr. V. G. Dalvi, General Secretary of the Postal Union, invite the Union officially. Sympathetic strikes are spreading so fast both in Bombay city and elsewhere that it is absolutely necessary for the authorities to start negotiations for a settlement at once.

Repression In Goa

Elsewhere we publish a communication from the President of the Goan Youth League, Bombay, conveying a shocking piece of news from Goa, which one would have held to be incredible but for the fact that there is at present functioning in this unfortunate corner of India an avowedly totalitarian Government. The report says that Mr. Tristao Braganca Cunha, Secretary of the Goa Congress Committee, has been arrested and detained in a military prison and that he is to be tried under military law, though Martial Law has not been proclaimed anywhere in the island. If this is true, the procedure is a violation of all canons of civilised law. If Mr. Cunha is to be deprived of adequate opportunities of defending himself, what guarantee is there that the lives and liberties of other nationals of Goa will be safe in that land? The action of the Portuguese authorities is a direct challenge to the self-respect and manhood—and womanhood—of every Goan. We have no doubt that such repression of popular freedom will not be tolerated for any length of time by the people of Goa, living in and out of that island. The people of India cannot remain unconcerned when the liberties of the people of Goa are being suppressed in the open manner that is being done in Portuguese Goa by its present rulers.

Our Readers' Views

Squeezing Out Indian Labour!

Sir,—Is the Labour Cabinet in Britain functioning or fooling? In any case, it is muddlings and bungling And all its pious professions are slowly thrown to the winds! In India, the Cabinet Mission behaved like political hagglers! In South Africa, Indians who opened up the country and enriched it—are treated as chattels! And the Under-Secretary of State pleads utter ignorance of the 'zoolam' to which they are subjected. And now we have the harrowing tales from Mr. A. Aziz of the Indian Labourers in Ceylon being disenfranchised and denied the right, which they and their predecessors enjoyed for many decades in Ceylon! They are now threatened with unemployment and repatriation! Will Lord Wavell wake up in time and stop this gross injustice? Will Panditji proceed to Ceylon early? We do hope, he does.

B. F. BHARUCHA.

Mineral Wealth Of India

Sir,—It is reported that nearly 30 million tons of high grade manganese-ore have left our country since 1905. Recently, there is also huge export of raw materials of mica, chromium and alluminium to the foreign countries. Moreover, the sad tale of talk in the matter of export is not only shocking because of low prices fetched but also depleting the future national enterprises such as manufacturers of electronic tubes and finer cosmetics.

Under these circumstances it is absolutely necessary, for safeguarding the national interest, to stop immediately export of Indian minerals in raw condition and to adopt a new mineral policy for conserving and regulating the mining of India's mineral wealth, by the Government of India.

Otherwise, the minerals and their ores when once destroyed cannot be replaced and all talk of industrialisation of India and the postulated rise in the prosperity of the country is just meaningless.

B. R. RANE, M.L.A.

'India Has Been Punished Enough'

By Louis Fischer

Never tired of preaching unity, Louis Fischer says that British policy has "served to divide Hindus from Muslims." But he is equally sure that Hindus and Muslims are to blame too. He wants some one, some group, to step in with wise counsel and check the deterioration of communal relations. At the same time, he pleads for a National Government at the Centre, to help India out of her poverty and sorrow.

In order to rise out of her poverty and sorrow, India needs a Central Government which can deal effectively with national economic problems. India needs such a government now.

Preliminary work has started on an ambitious project to control and exploit the Damodar river. This stream originates in Bihar and flows through Bengal to the sea. Three gigantic dams will be built across the river. All the dams are to be in Bihar. The hydro-electric power stations connected with them will be erected in Bihar. A very substantial portion of the total cost of the project is to be spent in the Bihar province. But a very substantial portion of the benefits will accrue to Bengal Province. The Damodar will be made navigable in Bengal, not in Bihar. This will be a transportation boon to Bengal. Through irrigation, approximately eight hundred thousand acres of rice-growing lands will be reclaimed or improved in Bengal. Electricity from the stations in Bihar can be consumed in Bengal

Who should finance this Damodar River Scheme? Bihar? Or Bengal? Obviously both provinces are interested in it. But obviously, too, all India will gain if Bihar and Bengal are enriched. A wealthier Bihar and a wealthier Bengal could contribute towards the development of poorer districts in India.

The Damodar River project involves two provinces. The Tennessee Valley project in the United States involves seven States and has raised the standard of living in all of them. The federal government financed the project. The world-famous Dnieper Dam in the Soviet Ukraine affects the economy within a radius of a thousand miles. No one province, no two provinces could have constructed it. The national government constructed it.

Dangers Of Vivisection

To cut India up into autonomous federations or sub-federations or autonomous provinces is to retard the industrial growth of the whole country and to perpetuate distress and backwardness.

Nature made India a big country. It is a tremendous advantage. It is one of the factors that has made the United States rich and powerful. It is one of the factors in the economic expansion of Russia. Why should man destroy the gift of nature?

Europe has lived through unspeakable horrors because it is divided by national frontiers, customs barriers, and tariff walls.

In the United States and in Western Europe, a conviction is spreading that there are already too many national divisions, that what humanity needs is world government. Some of the most serious thinkers and some leading statesmen are persistently advocating world government. Even the biggest countries are too small in the era of the airplane and atom splitting.

Modern technique makes planned economy imperative. The larger the territory the more efficacious the planning. National planning is better than sectional or provincial planning.

One reason why the United Nations defeated the Axis Powers was that America and England co-ordinated their economies and supplied Russia with Lend-Lease materials according to carefully devised programmes. That was international economic planning.

Cry For Harmony

Humanity is crying for harmony among nations and among parts of nations. Once there were city states: Athens, Sparta, Venice. In the middle ages, the county was the unit of government. The industrial revolution produced the national state. Those countries which, like Germany and Italy, became nations too late suffered severe consequences.

Now we are living in the age of the chemical revolution, the transportation revolution, the wireless revolution. India will suffer if it tries to hold back the hands of the clock of progress by dividing instead of uniting.

Those who do not want a united India do not want a free India. And by free I do not merely mean free from Britain, but free from landlords, free from exploiters free from obscurantism, free from illiteracy, free from unemployment and hunger.

Then what about the preservation of racial, linguistic and religious cultures?

Civilization means tolerance of differences. Individuals are entitled to full liberty in the expression of their racial and religious personalities provided they do not interfere with the rights of others.

India has many races and languages and several religions. The division of India into Pakistan and Hindustan would solve no racial or religious problems, because if Pakistan practised intolerance the Hindus would have a grievance, and if Hindustan practised intolerance the Moslems would have a just complaint. So religious and racial harmony is achieved not by geographical surgery but by education, by greater inter-communal understanding, and by more civilization.

It might be urged that the spread of education and civilization is slow. This is correct. A national Indian Government could therefore grant wide cultural autonomy to any province or area that desired it. In the Soviet Union, many autonomous territories and republics have cultural autonomy although politically, economically, and administratively, they submit to Moscow's orders.

A Punishment

Self-determination is a virtue in cultural questions. Self-determination for Indian provinces and sections or federations in economic and political questions would simply punish the Indian people. They have been punished enough already.

I cannot but feel that many Muslims must take a similar position. Is there nothing they can do to effect a wise compromise?

I am sure that British policy has served to divide Hindus from Muslims. But I am equally sure that Hindus and Muslims are to blame too.

Are there no persons, are there no groups in India who could step in with wise counsel and check the deterioration of communal relations? They must do it for the sake of the hundreds of millions of peasants and working men and impecunious middle-class people who pay for the communal strife, pay for it with their daily bread, and clothing, and health, and comforts.

Uncommitted, above the battle Hindus, Muslims, Parsis, and others should meet and confer on this urgent, vexatious issue.

Famine Conditions In Bengal

Congress Indictment Of League Govt. Policy

CALCUTTA, July 17. (A.P.I.): "From reports received we have no hesitation to assert that the whole Governmental machinery has been employed not in combating famine but in consolidating the Muslim League in Bengal", states a report by a Sub-Committee of the Bengal Congress Parliamentary Party on the food situation in the Province.

The report is prepared on the basis of various reports the party received from its members regarding the food situation prevailing in their respective constituencies."

The report adds: "We have no hesitation in saying that unless steps are taken immediately, the situation will get out of hand. But from the fact at our disposal we are firmly convinced that Government have not only not the requisite desire and necessary confidence of the people for stamping out corruption and malpractices, but what is worse Government have chosen to employ the whole Government Machinery at this hour of Bengal's sorrow, for communal purposes and for consolidating the Muslim League in Bengal at the cost of the lives of the common people of all creeds and religions. Disaster is a certainty if such things continue.

A report estimates that the provinces food deficit is much better than the Government estimate of seven percent." It is likely to be 20 p. c. of our total requirements, which means that on the basis of a population of 65 millions there is no food for about 13 million people."

INADEQUATE MEASURES

The report says that the arrangements for distribution of foodstuffs made by Government are inadequate and corrupt. It has been suggested that more vigorous procurement has become a necessity says the report, but "unless Government set their own house in order extensive requisitioning in the present context will rouse suspicions and create chaos and confusion". As regards distribution it suggests that the bigger towns should be immediately put under rationing. The modified rationing system should be introduced extensively in rural areas of complete rationing is not possible. Food Committees must be put under strict control so that they may no longer remain bottlenecks of corruption. Subdivisional and district Food Committees must have no Executive Officers as office-bearers.

TARIFF BOARD TO BE EXPANDED

Govt. Urged To Revise Terms Of Reference

NEW DELHI, July 17 (U.P.I.): The "United Press of India" understands that the Government of India are contemplating to add two or three more members to the present Interim Tariff Board in order to expedite the investigation of the claims of the many wartime industries for protection or assistance. It is understood that so far nearly 30 such industries have been referred to this Tariff Board out of which reports on about a dozen have been already submitted. It is further learnt that the Government of India also realise the urgency of investigation by the Tariff Board as to whether further assistance is required in the case of big industries like iron and steel, cotton textiles, sugar, paper and silk, in respect of which the protection expired during war.

It is also regarded as not unlikely that other important industries like glass and woollens which are recommended for protection by the Tariff Board but which were refused protection then by the Government, may renew their applications.

The United Press of India is reliably informed that the present Tariff Board have intimated the Government of India that one full-time secretary should be appointed besides expanding suitably the existing terms of reference inasmuch as they relate only to wartime industries.

TETE A TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

"The authorities are doing every thing to break the morale of th resisters by means of cruelty to prisoners ..... resisters in the local gaol are being dealt with more severely than ordinary criminals. Eight resisters in prison, who were unable to carry heavy railway sleepers, are now placed on spare diet for 21 days....."

—Cable from the Secretary of the Natal Congress to the Viceroy.

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Apropos of the postal strike, Sardar Vallabhbhai says: "The officials are behaving as if everything is normal..."

Being officials, the poor chaps cannot but feel that an I.C.S. Caretaker Government in New Delhi means restoration of paradisal normalcy.

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The Sardar refers to "the exasperating statement issued by the Director-General....in the right royal bureaucratic fashion...."

As a matter of fact the Director-General seems to be among those illustrious phenomena who "will be glad to receive you at my house...."

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Mr. K. M. Munshi has publicly expressed his "deep appreciation of his (Mr. Jinnah's) statesmanship" because the latter "in a spirit of compromise has accepted the validity of the claim that India must have a single National Government with peripheral powers..."

We hope the Qaid-e-Azam doesn't get provoked into a withering rejection of Mr. Munshi's tribute.

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Shri C. Rajagopalachari has expressed the view that whatever constitution is framed by the Constituent Assembly, the people should improve it in due time by their inherent culture and goodness.

This is another vital reservation amounting to a definite repudiation by the Congress of the Long-Term Plan. His Majesty's Government must clarify to-day.

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There has been published a letter written to Khan Abdus Samad Khan by Jawaharlal in which the Congress President emphatically refuses "leased" lands in Baluchistan to be transferred to Kalat or Kalat to become independent.

The—er—Muslim League owes it to His Highness the Khan of Kalat to see that in the forthcoming session of its All-India Council serious notice is taken of Jawaharlal's statement.

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The Nawab of Mamdot, President of the Punjab Provincial Muslim League and leader of the Opposition, has challenged the Provincial Government to let a no-confidence motion be discussed at the special (Constituent Assembly) session of the Assembly and calls upon the Ministers to accept this challenge "if they have the slightest constitutional self-respect."

Sh—sh—eh. The Nawab Sahib must not insult his brother Sir Ghulam Hussein Hidayatullah like that.

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Maulana Daud Ghaznavi of the Punjab has resigned from the Congress joining simultaneously the Muslim League, as a protest against Jawaharlal's attitude towards the Sikhs.

It is, we are sure, due to the intensity of the shock sustained by him that the Maulana has so far forgotten to resign his seat in the Punjab Legislative Assembly.

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S. AFRICAN GOLD SOLD TO BANK OF ENGLAND

—Headline.

In return for expectation of S. W. African Black Ivory?

RUSSIAN DESIGNS ON CANADA

Secret Report Shows Kremlin Interested In Vancouver

OTTAWA, July 17 (Reuter).—Two high ranking Soviet officials named in the Canadian Royal Commission's Report on Espionage are reported to be leaving Ottawa for Moscow. Their departure would mean the last Soviet officials named in the Commission's report have left Canada.

The Commission's final declarations on espionage stated that a 200-page report on Canadian Navy had been prepared for the Soviet Government. The report also stated that Russia was interested in the Canadian ports of Vancouver in British Columbia and Halifax in Nova Scotia.

46 Killed And 170 Injured In Oil Strike Clashes

Tudeh Mob Accused Of Lynching Arab Merchants: Bevin's Statement In Commons

TEHERAN, July 17, (U.P.A.): Reports from Khuzistan said to-day that the strike in the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company's oil fields has been settled, after battles in which 46 were killed and 170 injured.

According to these reports, Persian troops and Arabs had attacked the strikers, resulting in a series of fights.

The strikers resumed work yesterday after being promised by a mission from Teheran that a labour legislation would be passed and they would be protected from the Arabs.

Government representatives, headed by Prince Firouz, returned to Teheran.

POLITICAL STRIKE

LONDON, July 17, (Reuter): Latest information received in London leaves the British Government in no doubt that the General Strike in Anglo-Iranian oilfields was of a political and not an industrial nature, it was stated authoritatively to-day.

Friendly discussions were actually proceeding about conditions of Labour in the oilfields when trouble was fomented by the Tudeh (Left-Wing) Party leaders in the area.

A general strike was declared at 08-00 on Sunday and later that day a merchant was lynched by a Tudeh mob. Other reports state that two Arab merchants and their families were lynched.

In the disturbances that followed 17 people were killed and 150 injured. Tudeh mobs also attacked the Headquarters of the Oilfield Workers Union.

There is at present no confirmation in London of the report that the General Strike has ended, although it is known that in certain areas the strike has been called off and workers have returned to duty.

IN PARLIAMENT

LONDON, July 17, (Reuter): No Indian or British casualties have been reported among the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company's staff, said Mr. Ernest Bevin, the Foreign Secretary, to-day when giving details of the strike of 50,000 workers of the Company at Abadan.

He said that the clash between local political elements resulted in 17 people being killed and 150 wounded. The Persian Government was held responsible for the safety of British representatives and property.

Mr. W. N. Warbey (Labour) asked if Mr. Bevin had made representations to the Persian Government regarding the "repressive character of this new Persian Labour Law which severely curtails the right to strike and which would not be tolerated in this country in peace-time".

Mr. Bevin replied "I have not interfered with the Persian Government at all and it is not my intention to do so. I think it is better for all other Governments to allow them to exercise.....(the remainder of Mr Bevin's sentence was drowned in the general cheers).

FOREIGN INTRIGUE

When Sir Waldron Smithers (Conservative) asked if he could say to what extent these troubles were caused by the intrigue and propaganda of the Soviet Government, Mr. Bevin replied "I have not inquired into it"

Mr. J. Lewis (Labour) asked if it would be a great precedent to make representations to a Foreign Government where British interests were involved.

Mr. Bevin replied: "It would not be improper, but I think when these Labour Laws are carried by Governments at the request of the Labour of the country, I should not interfere"

OSTENSIBLE CAUSE

Mr. Bevin said that there had for some time been considerable political difficulty in Persia which had had repercussions in the oil area of South West. A number of industrial factors had also contributed to the present situation in that area. The ostensible cause of the present strike appeared to be a demand for a day of rest—Friday—by the Company's Persian Workers.

HANDS OFF POSTAL PEACE PARLEYS!

STRIKE COMMITTEE REPUDIATES DEWAN CHAMANLAL

HIS FEDERATION CANNOT DELIVER GOODS, SAYS DALVI

BOMBAY, July 17. (A.P.I.): The Strike Committee appointed by the Poona Conference of the All-India Postmen and Lower Grade Staff Union, says Mr. V. G. Dalvi, General Secretary of the Union, is the only body empowered to negotiate a settlement and, therefore, asks Dewan Chamanlal, President of the Federation of Posts and Telegraphs Union, not to carry on any negotiations.

HE CAN'T DELIVER GOODS

In a statement Mr. Dalvi says:—

"Dewan Chamanlal, M.L.A. (Central) and President of the Federation of Posts and Telegraphs Union is reported to be carrying on negotiations with the Posts and Air Department officials at Delhi with regard to the demands of the All-India Postmen and Lower Grade Staff Union. The Union is not a member of the Federation and has neither approached nor authorised Dewan Chamanlal to carry on these negotiations nor to come to any settlement on its behalf. Any settlement arrived at by Dewan Chamanlal will not be binding on the Union. The Strike Committee appointed by the Poona Conference is the only body empowered to negotiate and settle. Dewan Chamanlal's Federation is concerned with Postal Clerical Unions and higher paid telegraph staff.

He does not represent the Postmen and Lower Grade Staff of the posts and Telegraphs offices or the telephone services. The Federation cannot deliver the goods and the only way to settle the strke is through the Strike Committee.

I would advise Dewan Chamanlal not to meddle in the affairs of the Unions which are not affiliated to his clerical division and thereby to weaken the workers' cause."

P. AND T. U. FEDERATION'S WARNING

NEW DELHI, July 17, (A.P.I.): The Executive Council of the Federation of Post and Telegraph Unions has issued the following directive:—

"All provincial and local units of the Federation and of the Unions within the Federation are hereby warned that no strike notices are to be issued by them and such notices can only be issued by their All-India organisations, subject to the instructions of the Federation. Any such notices that may have already been issued are without validity.

The Central Offices of the Union of Posts, Telegraphs, R. M. S. (India) and the All-India Telegraph Workmen's Union warn their members in particular that their Central Organisations will not be in a position to give them protection against irresponsible action taken by provincial and local leaders without the authority of their head offices.

This matter is of the utmost importance in view of the negotiations now being carried on between the Federation and the Posts and Telegraphs Administration, which cover not only the twelve demands of the Postmen and Lower Grade Staff Union, but the entire range of demands put forward by the Federation in its original memorandum to Government dated the 4th February 1946, until such time as the Federation advises its members that these negotiations have failed every member of the affiliated Unions in the Federation is directed to stand at his post and to perform all his legitimate duties. No clerical member of the Federation should, however, perform the duties of Postmen and Lower Grade Staff.

All members of the Federation are earnestly advised to resist pressure from outside agencies and to remember that as disciplined soldiers they must take orders only from their All-India leaders.

The Federation congratulates the overwhelming majority of its members on the great solidarity and sense of discipline shown by them thus far, and exhort them to await patiently the final decision and directive of the Federation."

The Executive Council of the United Provinces branch of the Union of Posts, Telegraphs and R. M. S. (India) which met at Delhi today under the presidency of Mr. Raj Bahadur, has decided in view of the above directive of the Federation, to defer "sine die" the serving of a strike notice which had been previously decided upon.

MIHAILOVITCH EXECUTED

NEW YORK, July 17. (Reuter): General Dragomir Mihailovitch, leader of Yugoslav Chetnik Guerllias and former Minister, was shot by a firing squad at dawn to-day, Trans-Radio News Agency reported.

Eight other men, sentenced by a Belgrade Military Court to die with him, were also shot.

Appeals of General Mihailovitch and other Yugoslavs against the death sentence were rejected by the presidium of Yugoslav National Assembly.

SCUFFLE OUTSIDE BENGAL ASSEMBLY

Ambedkarites Invade Lobbies & Stage Demonstration

CALCUTTA, July 17 (A.P.I.)—The Bengal Legislative Assembly will elect its 60 representatives on the Constituent Assembly today, the opening day of its budget session. Counting of votes will take place tomorrow.

The sitting commenced at 11 this morning, but the election to the Constituent Assembly will take place in the afternoon. Bengal's quota of 60 seats in the Constituent Assembly is made up of 27 General and 33 Muslim Seats. The Congress has nominated 26 candidates for the General seats, and the Muslim League has selected 33 candidates for the Muslim seats. There are 67 other candidates.

PRO-AMBEDKARITE DEMONSTRATION

Just before the sitting commenced this morning a demonstration was held in front of the Assembly hall by a group of people shouting slogans in support of the candidature of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar for election to the Constituent Assembly from Bengal.

ADJOURNMENT MOTION

After question time the Speaker admitted an adjournment motion by the Congress Assembly Party to discuss "the acute distress that has come to prevail in different parts of Bengal owing to the failure of the Government of Bengal to reduce the abnormally high prices and maintain adequate supply of rice." July 25 was fixed for its discussion.

The Speaker then read a message from the Governor, asking the members to proceed with the election of members of the Constituent Assembly.

The House will meet in the afternoon for the election.

European Members of the House were absent when polling in the Constituent Assembly Elections commenced in the afternoon.

There were a few incidents while voting was in progress. A scuffle occurred outside the Assembly Chamber between some supporters of Dr. Ambedkar and another party of men. This happened during efforts to canvass the support of two Congress Scheduled Caste members of the Assembly who were entering the House to record their votes.

Earlier, a group of persons invaded the lobbies and used the megaphone to call for support for Dr. Ambedkar. They were however persuaded by the Assembly staff to leave the lobbies. They then collected in the compound and held a demonstration.

Some persons also collected in the Assembly compound shouting Muslim League slogans.

SCHEDULE CASTE SATYAGRAHA IN LUCKNOW

140 Arrested Before Council Hall

LUCKNOW, July 17, (U.P.I.): More than 140 members of the Lucknow branch of the Scheduled Caste Federation were arrested by the police today when they offered mass Satyagraha in protest against the Poona Pact.

Of these 140 who were arrested, 80 were taken into custody near the Council House, and the rest in various parts of the City. The restrictions under Sec. 144 were strictly enforced by the Police.

Red Offensive Along Yangtze

Communist Troops Menace Nanking & Shanghai

NANKING, July 17, (A.P.A.): The Chinese Government alleged today that 130,000 Communists had opened an offensive along the Yangtze river only 20 miles from Nanking and 45 miles from Shanghai in an effort to capture the key points along that 175-mile river sector.

Government said the attacks were under way at Luho, 20 miles noth of Nanking, and at Haimen, 45 miles north of Shanghai. Correspondents were not allowed to visit the alleged battle-front north on Nanking.

Earlier, Communists asserted the present situation was heading directly into a full-scale civil war and General Chou En-Lai of the Communist army made an appeal to General George C. Marshall to halt its spread.

Chou said he was going to present to Marshall what he described as war orders captured by the Communist army directing Government units to start a general offensive in the north Kiangsu area.

Holiday For Indian Cricketeers

SUNDERLAND, July 17. (Reuter): There was no play in the match between India and Durham to-day owing to bad weather.

AMBUSH ON TRIESTE HIGHWAY

U. S. Soldier Killed And Officer Wounded

TRIESTE, July 17 (Reuter).—An United States soldier was killed and another wounded when a jeep in which they were travelling along the Gorizia-Trieste highway came under heavy fire from automatic weapons late last night.

The vehicle got out of control, as the driver was killed. A passenger, an American Lieutenant, was seriously injured.

The ambush took place near Lake Doberod. The whole area is now being searched by units of the 88th Division.

84 Per Cent Of Bikini Test Animals Still Alive

BIKINI ATOLL, July 17 (Reuter): Vice-Admiral Blandy, in charge of the Atom Bomb experiments, said today that 84 per cent of the animals exposed to atomic "death rays" in the Bikini lagoon test 16 days ago, were still alive.

Out of 3,519 animals on board the ships in the lagoon, 539 were dead of which about 350 were killed outright, he said.

He did not indicate the percentage of deaths resulting from radiation.

Murree Ban On Public Meetings

RAWALPINDI, July 17, (A.P.I.): An order prohibiting the holding of public meeting in Murree proper has been promulgated by Mr. V. K. Henderson, District Magistrate, Rawalpindi, under Section 144 Cr. P. C. This Order shall remain in force for 15 days. Taking out of processions is already banned in Murree.

10 RESISTERS ARRESTED IN DURBAN

DURBAN, July 17, (Reuter): A Hindu priest, 50-year old Ramphal Mahraj, was among the group of ten resisters arrested on Tuesday night for trespass at the Indian resisters site. Before going to the site the volunteers were addressed by Anglican clergyman Reverend Michael Scott who was arrested at the beginning of the movement.

Bhajan In Congress House

A Public Bhajan of the well-known Shri Sant Tukdoji Maharaj of C. P. and Berar will be held to-day (Thursday) at 9 p.m. in the Congress House Compound. Sant Tukdoji is one of the great modern reformers and a national poet of C. P. and Berar with a very wide circle of disciples and admirers. He has in his own way preached successfully the philosophy of Gandhiji in the rural areas of Central Provinces.

NEHRU GIVES OPTION TO CONGRESS SIKHS

But "Error And Misunderstanding" Led To Complications

ALLAHABAD, July 17. (A.P.I.): Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Congress President, has issued the following statement to the Press with regard to the recent Sikh developments in the Punjab in connection with the election of representatives to the Constituent Assembly:

"There appears to be considerable misunderstanding about recent Sikh developments in the Punjab in connection with the election of representatives to the Constituent Assembly. This is understandable as I have myself been puzzled and perplexed. The postal strike and the partial telegraph strike have helped in adding to the obscurity. Long distance telephone conversations, which were only partially heard, have not helped much in keeping me informed of what was happening.

"Ultimately, it became impossible for me to disentangle the separate threads and I told the Congress Sikhs in the Punjab that they must understand the Congress position clearly and keeping this in view act as they thought best.

"The matter would have to be considered by the Working Committee as soon as it meets.

"An error and a misunderstanding, right at the beginning, made without any reference to us, led to these complications.

"Congress Sikhs, of course, have to follow the Congress policy which is obviously also in the interest of the Sikhs as well as the country generally.

"The question was how to do it most effectively and as I was unable to understand the situation fully from here I left them to decide. I have every hope that this knot will be disentangled soon in accordance with Congress policy."

AHMEDABAD RIOTS ECHO IN BOMBAY ASSEMBLY

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force of sheer majority the Government could carry this Bill through, but they should look to all sides of the Bill.

When the discussion on the Bill was in progress, and when Mr. Bhaiji was speaking the attention of the House was diverted by two volunteers of the Scheduled Castes Federation shouting slogans like "Scrap Poona Pact" just outside the windows of the hall and one volunteer actually threw a piece of black cloth in the hall.

Ahmedabad Riots

After the recess Mr. Abdul Kadar Shaikh moved the adjournment motion regarding "mishandling of the riot situation in Ahmedabad from July 1 and onwards."

Mr. Shaikh began by attacking the Government for "terrorising the people and those people who are antagonistic politically to the party to which the present Ministry belongs." Criticising the "Nationalist Press" Mr. Shaikh said that the Nationalist Press of Ahmedabad started inciting the Hindus from April 18. On the very same day, Ahmedabad Muslim League passed a resolution requesting the Government to take action against such articles.

Suddenly, Mr. Shaikh continued, the order against carrying weapons which would have lapsed ordinarily on July 17 was withdrawn on June 30. Slogans were raised before every mosque on the way of the Rath Yatra procession. Rumours spread about belabouring of Mussalmans by Hindus." Mr. Shaikh characterised the way in which the Home Minister investigated the situation as "unsatisfactory". He appealed to Government to accept the adjournment motion or at least to give a satisfactory reply.

Mr. Abdul Satar Gandhi (Surat District) charactrised the present Government as "out and out a Hindu Government" with the exception of Dr. Gilder whom he described as a "lucky man."

Continuing he said: "If it comes to violence we shall have to do something for our protection. Let the Congress understand we do not believe in non-violence." Addressing the Government benches he said, "If you cannot keep law and order quit the Government benches."

PREMIER HITS BACK

Intervening in the debate at an early stage Mr. B. G. Kher said that this matter would be considered as a vote of confidence in this Ministry. "Mr. Shaikh charged the Government that we terrorise political opponents. Really speaking the huge mass of people in Ahmedabad are being terrorised by a few people who do not believe in peace and non-violence."

"The ban about carrying weapons," Mr. Kher continued, "In Rath Yatra procession is never imposed. The practice of brandishing lathis at the procession is the same as that practised at Muharram procession."

Communal aspect of the riot, Mr. Kher asserted, was brought under control in two or three days. The Premier added: "Rabid elements of both Hindus and Muslims are criticising the Congress Government for siding with the other community." Mr. Kher read a letter from a Hindu pleader of Ahmedabad accusing the Home Minister of not doing everything the Hindus wanted and asking the Premier to dismiss the Home Minister.

Continuing Mr. Kher said: "Muslims to us are Indians. We do not discriminate between anybody." He criticised the statement of Mr. Chundrigar, Leader of the Opposition. Mr. Kher appealed to Muslim friends to keep the interest of peace and harmony in this land foremost in their minds and act accordingly. "Do not bring such motions. We offered you to take up the Government at the Centre. Even now you can occupy these benches and I assure you that we will not come with such motions", he said.

Mr. Ahmedmiya Shurumiya Shaikh (Ahmedabad District Muhammedan Rural) accused the Government of allowing the police force to be used by the Congress leaders there. He charged the Home Minister of acting as a counsel for Hindus. He said that the Home Minister himself put political colour to the riot situation by insisting for a certain time of the inclusion of one Congress Muslim in the Peace Committee.

Mr. W. A. Parkar said that the policy and the attitude of the present Government was such as not to contribute to creating a peaceful atmosphere between the two communities but only contributed to the excitement prevailing in the country.

HOLD SCALES EVEN

Mr. I. I. Chundrigar, Leader of the Opposition, said that the problem in Ahmedabad was how to create a friendly atmosphere between the two communities and remove the bitterness that exist at present. For that to be achieved, the Ministry and officials should know how to hold the scales even and inspire confidence in both communities.

As a citizen of Ahmedabad, Mr. Chundrigar wanted steps to be taken to restore peace as early as possible in that city. Riots of this kind, he said, always resulted in innocent passers-by of both communities suffering and they had to be stopped immediately.

HOME MINISTER DENIES CHARGE

Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister, opposing the motion gave a detailed account of the situation in Ahmedabad and the steps the Government had taken to restore normal conditions in that city. He strongly repudiated the charge that the Ministry had acted partially towards any community during the handling of the situation and appealed to the House to judge in the light of facts placed by him before the House where the fault lay.

Mr. Desai regretted that at a time when peace was not as yet restored in Ahmedabad, the Opposition should have brought in the adjournment motion. If the Leader of the Opposition, he said, had the restoration of peace in Ahmedabad in his mind then no more harmful step than the present one could have been taken by the Opposition members.

MOTION TALKED OUT

When he went to Ahmedabad to study the situation at first hand, Mr. Desai said, he suggested to Hindu and Muslim leaders there to form Peace Committees whose Muslim members would be held responsible for the damage done to Hindus and vice versa. This method which to him appeared the best guarantee of maintaining peace was unfortunately not accepted by the Muslim leaders.

When the mover of the resolution was replying to the debate the clock struck six and the Speaker announced that the motion was talked out.

PALESTINE TALKS BEHIND PURDAH

LONDON, July 17, (A.P.A.): Anglo-American negotiators explored military and political factors in Palestine today in an attempt to evolve a formula for immigration of additional Jews which would not upset peace in the Middle East.

Although the talks continued under a news blackout, at British request, informed sources indicated that the zone of agreement was regarded as narrow due to inability of the American representatives to agree to give military support.

One usually well-informed source said Britain desired to reach a final settlement on the Palestine question, but was not anxious to undertake a course which would imperil the delicate balance in the Middle East at a time when Arab friendship is regarded as highly desirable.

GENERAL STRIKE BY PALESTINE JEWS

JERUSALEM, July 17 (A.P.A.): Palestine was paralysed to-day by the Jewish community's one-day country-wide General Strike organised to demonstrate its solidarity with the 2,000 hunger-striking inmates of the R. A. F. A. and Latrun Detention Camps.

Jewish traffic throughout the country stopped completely, with only essential services, including newspapers and hospitals, operating as usual.

The Haifa Community Council of Jews went further than the Vaad Leumi (Jewish National Council), which had called the strike, by requesting the populace to observe a self-imposed four-hour afternoon curfew.

D. F. Karaka: Off My Chest

The exchange of friendly greetings between Prime Minister Attlee and Cricket-Manager Gupta of the All-India XI, now touring the U. K., was too touching for words.

Reuter published a brief account of what happened between them, but with a little imagination I venture to fill in the gaps. It is said that while the Socialist Premier agreed to visit the Oval where the next match is to be played, he showed grave concern that on the eve of Independence, the Indians had not yet sent a Hu Tu Tu XI to play England. Mr. Gupta pointed out to the Prime Minister that Cricket was really the national game of India and that it was the only game played on a really sense communal basis. Mr. Attlee showed grave concern about this fact and expressed the hope that no cricketers would be nominated on the Constituent Assembly.

Mr. Attlee then said that he hoped that in the near future an Indian Women's XI, playing either Hu tu tu or Cricket or any other game would visit England. Mr. Gupta who was not very conversant with women's activities in this direction said he would put the suggestion before Hansa Ben and Mridula Ben and all the other Bens of India. In fact he was going to cable Lady Rama Rau to send an Indian sportswoman along with the team which is shortly to go abroad representing our womanhood. Lady Rama Rau, however, never got this cable because the telegraph men were on strike and no cables were received by the persons for whom they were intended.

Mr. Attlee was very much impressed when Mr. Gupta expressed a desire on behalf of the Indian XI to visit the House of Commons. He said that he hoped that Mr. Churchill would be batting very soon and that this veteran should be watched, specially when speaking on India.

The net result of these fruitful talks was that Mr. Attlee would be watching cricket while the poor Indians would have to listen to the droll speeches of members of the House of Commons. But as usual it is the poor Indian who is always being jipped in these deals, so how can anyone blame Mr. Gupta?

In the afternoon, Mr. Gupta went to Buckingham Palace to attend the King's garden party. Mr. Gupta said, "It is the least I could do." The King was naturally very grateful to Mr. Gupta for sparing the time. The King apparently couldn't get another word in, according to Reuter's message, because Mr. Gupta had to rush and catch a train for Sunderland to be in time for the match today.

It is rumoured that Mr. Gupta has been offered the post of Indian Ambassador to Britain. He knows all the right people.

Students And Literacy Drive

Mahatma Supports Conscription Idea

POONA, July 17 (A.P.I.): Mahatma Gandhi has written a letter to Mrs. Lilavati Munshi supporting her idea of conscripting students for carrying on the literacy campaign.

Gandhiji in his letter writes that if people are conscripted for military purposes then he saw no reason why they should not also be asked to give a few years to the cause of education. Only they should be qualified enough for their work.

DAUD GHAZNAVI DESERTS CONGRESS

LAHORE, July 17, (A.P.I.): "If all other Nationalist Muslims followed the example of Maulana Daud Ghaznavi and joined the Muslim League, the elusive political problems of India would largely be solved", said the Nawab of Mamdot, President of the Punjab Muslim League, to-day.

He was speaking at a private reception given at the Assembly Chamber by the Muslim League Assembly Party to Maulana Daud Ghaznavi, M.L.A., former President of the Punjab Congress Committee, who resigned from the Congress yesterday and joined the Muslim League.

SIR ALAGAPPA CHETTIAR FOR MADRAS SYNDICATE

The Governor of Madras, acting as Chancellor of Madras University, has nominated Dr. Sir Rm. Alagappa Chettiar as a member of the Syndicate of Madras University for a period of three years from July 10.

It may be mentioned that Dr. Sir Alagappa Chettiar is a Master of Arts of Madras University, and has been awarded the honour of a Doctorate by the University.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, July 17.

New York Stock Exchange opening price: General Motors 68-6/8, Anaconda Copper Mining unquoted, United States Steel Common 90-1/4, United States Steel preference unquoted.

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

CALCUTTA, July 17.

The Calcutta stock exchange today ruled firm due to renewed buying and a very good business resulted in all sections.

MADRAS SHARE MARKET

MADRAS, July 17.

There was profit taking in the local market with the textiles going lower. In the planting section both Midland Rubber and Rajagiri on the A. V. Thomas group attracted much attention and were then at a higher level. Tea shares continued firm. There was not much interest in other rubber shares. Banks shares also were a shade easier, as also insurance shares on account of profit-taking. In the miscellaneous section aluminium industry were taken up to Rs. 18/4 on account of up-country buying. There was enquiry for sugar shares.

No More Import Of Europeans For Railway Service

Standing Finance Committee's Recommendation: Lower Gazetted Service Also To Be Abolished

NEW DELHI, July 17 (A.P.I.): The Railway Standing Finance Committee to-day recommended that the proposal to abolish the Lower Gazetted Service should be referred to the High Power Committee which they had proposed to be set up in a previous meeting. The Committee also recommended that there should be no further recruitment of Europeans from the U. K. except for short-term appointments to Specialist posts in technical services.

A Press Note says, "The Railway Standing Finance Committee met today under the Chairmanship of Mr. I. S. Puri, Financial Commissioner of Railways. All members except Mr. Nauman were present.

To-day's discussion centred round two important questions viz., abolition of the Lower Gazetted Service and the rolling stock programme for 1947/48. The Committee recommended that the proposal to abolish the Lower Gazetted Service should be referred to the High Power Committee which they had proposed to be set up in a previous meeting. They also recommended that there should be no further recruitment of Europeans from the U. K. except for short-term appointments to Specialist posts in technical service.

ROLLING STOCK PROGRAMME

The Committee approved of the rolling stock programme for 1947/48 which provides for a total expenditure of Rs. 982 lakhs. The programme includes the manufacture of 40 metre gauge passenger locomotives in India, the construction in India of 1,953 units of B. G. and M. G. coaching stock (in terms of 4-wheelers) at a cost of 591 lakhs and also of 3,300 broadguage wagons (in terms of 4-wheelers) at a cost of 306 lakhs. The Railway Board also contemplate purchase, from the war department surplus stock, of 5,000 general service metre guage wagons and 374 special type wagons (20 broadguage and 354 metre guage). Provision for this will be made in the final budget estimates when the terms of purchase will be finalised. There is no provision in 1947/48 for any broadguage locomotives as it is not expected that it will be possible either to manufacture any in India or to import from abroad.

GOVT. STIPULATE 20 LAKHS FEE

R.W.I.T.C. Members To Consider Matter In August

POONA, July 17 (API).—Members of the Royal Western India Turf Club will meet on August 26 at the Taj Mahal Hotel, Bombay, to consider the new conditions stipulated by the Bombay Government to allow the Club to carry on racing in Western India. Negotiations are now going on on this matter between the Turf Club Committee and the Government and if any decision had been taken by the Committee, it would have to be ratified by the Club Members.

One of the important terms which the Government propose to revise, it is said is in regard to license fee. The Government it is stated wishes to increase this fee from Rs. three lakhs to between Rs. 15 to twenty lakhs.

Pending the final decision of the Club Members in this matter, the Club licence to continue racing for the year commencing from July 1, it is learnt, has not renewed. Poona races this season therefore, if they take place, may be expected to commence after August 26, instead of in the beginning of August unless an interim agreement is reached between the Government and the Turf Club Committee in the meanwhile.

PUNJAB COALITION PREPARED TO FACE LEAGUE CENSURE

LAHORE, July 17 (APA).—The prominent members of the Punjab Coalition Party and their supporters met today on the eve of the Assembly session on July 19 "to assess our Coalition strength as against the Muslim League Opposition" as one of the participants in the Conference remarked.

A reliable source said the Conference discussed the "Challenge thrown to the Coalition by the Muslim League Party leader, Nawab Iftikhar Hussain of Mamdot, to agree to have the League No-confidence Motion in the Ministry discussed when the Assembly meets this week-end to elect Constituent Assembly members."

One of the Goalition members who refused to be quoted directly said after the Conference: "We are assured that we command the majority, but if the League Opposition want to have a trial of strength they will have this opportunity when the 'sine die' adjournment motion comes before the House."

POSTAL STRIKE SPREADS

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last has now spread to most of the districts and there is general suspension of booking of telegrams and acceptance of all classes of registered articles or unregistered parcels and money orders in all post offices in the presidency.

Postmen, attenders and the lower grade staff generally numbering about 1,000 have stayed away from work in the city for the last three days.

The authorities have temporarily recruited 350 hands from the Moplah Labour Corps and the fire service for delivery of postal mails and telegrams in urgent cases. Window delivery of letters and other postal articles has been arranged.

The peaceful atmosphere of the strike was however marred yesterday when two Fire Servicemen employed in delivering telegrams were attacked by strikers. One sustained head injuries and was removed to hospital, while the second man returned to the General Post Office with minor injuries abandoning his cycle and telegrams. No untoward incident has been reported to-day.

In Tellicherry and a few other centres in Malabar, strikers are reported to have resorted to picketing at post offices. Nothing untoward has been reported from any of the mofussil centres.

DINDIGUL & RAMNAD AFFECTED

MADURA, July 16 (A.P.I.): The Postmen's strike has spread to Dindigul and Ramnad, two important centres in the Madura-Ramnad Postal Division. In both these places the men filed to turn up for duty this morning but arrangements made in anticipation of the strike were put into effect immediately and the postal authorities were able to effect delivery of mails without great difficulty.

There is no change in the strike situation in Madura.

SUPDT. DISTRIBUTES LETTERS IN PATNA

PATNA, July 16 (A. P. I.): The Postmaster General Bihar and Orissa states that there has been no material change in the postal strike situation in the province.

An unofficial report received from Gaya says that the postal strike has spread to the interior and for want of runners, mails are not reaching the villagers. In Gaya town boy scouts, at the behest of the Students' Congress, did not co-operate with the postal authorities from the second day of the strike. The Superintendent of the Post Office himself is distributing letters and the post office is being guarded by the police.

Goa Defies Portuguese Terror

STRUGGLE FOR CIVIL LIBERTY SPREADS

Popular Leaders Subjected To Brutal Treatment

The President of the Goa Youth League writes:

"After the arrest and deportation of Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia, the Goan public which accepted the challenge, kept up the torch of revolt burning by defying the ban on public meetings by calling meetings both in the towns and cities and in the villages. The only reaction of the Government till the 12th of July was that of brutal assaults on the public and of temporary arrests of speakers.

The very first meeting after Dr. Lohia's arrest was held at Margao on the 23rd of July. Mr. Tristao Braganca Cunha addressed the meeting. The success of this meeting created an impression that the Government had relaxed the stringency of its laws. Later events belied this impression.

At Margao on the 30th June, a Public meeting was called and Miss Berta Menezes Braganca was scheduled to speak. About an hour before the announced time the entire place was cordoned off by the military. At the appointed time Miss Braganca came to the spot accompanied by Mr. Tristao Braganza Cunha. A crowd of over a thousand was also present. The Captain of the troops approached Miss Braganza and ordered her to clear away from the place before the Military took any drastic action.

Miss Braganza, however, refused to comply with the order and began to address the meeting. The Captain summoned his troops and ordered her to be removed from the place. His plea was that if she were allowed to speak the gathered public would get out of control and indulge in acts of violence. Mr. Tristao Braganza Cunha told the military authorities that he could guarantee good behaviour from the public if they were allowed to hold the meeting peacefully and if the troops were withdrawn.

The Captain took this as an affront to his authority and began beating Mr. Cunha with his baton and ordered the troops to assault him. About six soldiers began assaulting him with the butt ends of their guns till he fell down on the ground. By this time the crowd interfered and Mr. Cunha was rescued. Miss Berta Braganza was also assaulted.

On seeing that the assault had had no effect on the determination of Mr. Cunha, he and Miss Braganza were forced into a military lorry and after taking them through devious routes, they were released at Chandor, some ten miles away from Margao. The troops set upon Mr. Vicente Cunha and forcibly snatched away from his head his Gandhi Cap, tore it to pieces and used the rags to wipe their shoes.

Besides these meetings in Margao several meetings have been held in different villages on various days, where the troops have taken recourse to merciless assault on the public.

Inhuman incidents took place at Cuncolim on Sunday the 7th instant, when a public meeting was called by the villagers to defy the ban on meetings. Half an hour before the scheduled time about eighty armed troops motored to Cuncolim. In a restaurant, in the village bazar, Vicente Cunha was having a cup of tea. He was wearing a Gandhi Cap.

The Captain of the troops—the Administrator—entered the restaurant, dragged Mr. Cunha out and personally assaulted him with his baton and searched his pockets for literature. After this, the Administrator caught hold of a young boy of about sixteen years, by name Ananda Corado, who has been an active worker in the movement. Curado was taken to the local police chowki, locked up in a room and was beaten up with butt ends of the guns. The Administrator demanded him to shout 'Viva Portugal' which the boy refused. When beating was of no avail the Administrator ordered a soldier to pierce a bayonet in the boy's mouth. But even this was of no avail. Curado was pushed out of the Police station with a torn lip and a broken tooth.

In spite of these brutalities, another meeting was called at Chandor on the 10th instant to commemorate the death anniversary of Mr. Louis de Menezes Braganza, a noted patriot and the greatest journalist of Goa. The troops drove in, as usual half an hour before the meeting time and cordoned the maidan. Yet the public gathered and the meeting commenced right at the scheduled time. The troops did not interfere with the first speaker who spoke in Portuguese. But when the second speaker, Joachim Dias, had spoken for about 15 minutes, the Administrator came forward and ordered him to stop. Unmindful of the order the speaker continued with his talk. The administrator repeated his order thrice and then dragged the speaker away and detained him in the military car.

No sooner was he taken away, Chandrakant Kadodkar began addressing the meeting. This time the Administrator instead of arresting the speaker ordered his soldiers to attack him. The speaker was mercilessly beaten by three soldiers at one time till he was rescued by the ladies present. Others from the audience too were charged with butt-ends of the guns. Among the victims were Miss Berta Braganca, Vicente Cunha and others.

But the police brutalities have failed to cow down the spirit of the people. On the contrary the movement is gathering momentum and more and more people are coming forward.

It now appears that the Government has started fresh methods of terrorising the people. On the 12th instant Mr. Triestao Braganca Cunha the founder of the Goa Congress was called to the Police Station at Margao and was arrested there. He has been now detained at the Military Prison at Aguada in Goa and is awaiting Court Martial.

The Government has decided to try Mr. Cunha by Court Martial in spite of the fact that no acts of violence have taken place anywhere in Goa and no Martial Law has been imposed."

Tristao Braganca Cunha

ARRESTED GOA CONGRESS LEADER TAKEN TO AGOADA FORT

Tristao Braganca Cunha, founder of the Goa Congress Committee who was arrested at Margao, on July 12 by the Colonial Administration of the Portuguese Government, has been, it is reported, taken to the Military Fort at Agoada, where he is kept in detention. It is also reported that he will be tried by Court Martial.

The Goans are agitating for the public trial of Mr. Cunha with opportunities for defence.

SECRETARY OF LOCAL CONGRESS COMMITTEE TO BE TRIED UNDER MARTIAL LAW

Mr. Joachim Dias, President, Goan Youth League, has sent the following telegram to Mahatma Gandhi and Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru.

Tristao Braganca Cunha, Secretary, Goa Congress Committee, arrested in Goa, detained in Military Prison at Aguada Fort, awaiting Court Martial. Martial Law not proclaimed. Court Martial unconstitutional. Goa Fascist Government allows no defence. Request mediation National Congress for regular, public trial with opportunities for defence. Goa movement completely non-violent.

GOAN YOUTH LEAGUE: Under the auspices of the Goan Youth League the Nationalist Christian Party and The Goa Congress Committee (Bombay Branch) public meeting will be held at the Instituto Luso Indiano Hall, Burrows Lane, Girgaum, today (Thursday) to protest against the arrest of Mr. Tristao Braganca Cunha Secretary, Goa Congress, and to demand his immediate release. Mr. S. K. Patil, President B.P.C.C. will preside.

More Cases Of Stabbing In Ahmedabad

AHMEDABAD, July 17, (A.P.I.): Four more cases of stabbing occurred to-day in differen: parts of the city. The total number of stabbing till four p.m. being six, of whom one died.

About 30 persons have been rounded up.

Messrs. Nandlal Bodiwalla, Indravadan Thakore and Kakalbhai Kothari, Editors of three Gujarati dailies have sent a telegram to Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister, Bombay requesting him to visit Ahmedabad immediately to restore peace.

A case of looting was reported last evening on the Kalupur relief road. It caused excitement in the area but the police soon restored order.

Several families have evacuated from Jamalpur where stabbing incidents occurred recently.

Mills are working in two shifts of five hours each during day time to give employment to night shift workers as night shift working is not possible owing to the curfew.

Markets have not yet opened.

STABBED TO DEATH

ALLAHABAD, July 17: Two persons were stabbed to death and six others injured last evening near the south Malaka Bridge in the city.

It is reported that when the Cheoki Shuttle reached south Malaka at about 5 p. m. this evening some labourers of the C.O.D. Cheoki got down from the train they, along with some passersby, were attacked by a group of persons and stabbed. As a result two persons died on the spot and six others received stab wounds. It is learnt that the condition of three of the injured persons is serious.

Section 144 Cr. P. C. has been promulgated in the city following the stabbing incident of this evening.

One of the six injured persons admitted in the hospital last evening in connection with the recent stabbing incident in the city, died late last night. This brings the total killed in the incident to three.

It is learnt that two persons have now been arrested in connection with the incident.

The District Magistrate has promulgated an order under Section 144 Cr. P. C. prohibiting Assembly of five or more persons, carrying of firearms and other weapons and shouting of slogans etc., for a fortnight in the city.

TENSION IN GODHRA

GODHRA, July 16, (A.P.I.): Communal tension still exists in Godhra where about a week ago ten persons were injured in communal fracas.

Schools, banks and shops had been closed since July 2 when disturbances broke out but to-day some shops were open and a few schools were working.

The District Magistrate called a meeting of the leading Hindu and Muslim citizens and had a free discussion with them.

The police arrangements still continue in the town but the general atmosphere is quiet.

CONSTITUTION IS THE WORK OF PEOPLE

C. R. Pleads For Cooperation And Kindness To One Another

MADRAS, July 16 (API): The view that whatever constitution was framed by the Consituent Assemoly, the people should improve it in due time by their inherent culture and goodness, was expressed by Mr. C. Rajagopalachari, Member Congress Working Committee, delivering the inaugural address of the debating and economics associations of the Loyola College this evening.

Mr. Rajagopalachari said: "The constitution may be all wrong or excellent, but if we all co-operate under the constitution and are truthful and kindly to one another, we will improve it in the shortest time besides showing ourselves to be a great race". The first step, therefore, was to look forward to some kind of constitution and then reshape it to suit the needs of the country by gradual improvements.

Proceeding Mr Rajagopalachari said that constitution-making was the work of the people of a country. If the civilisation and culture of a nation was good, the constitution too was bound to be good. He held the culture of India was the oldest and best as revealed by the Upanishads.

Democracy could be successful only in a civilised country and, according to him, a country could be said to be civilised only if its people obeyed its external rules promulgated by the Government as well as the internal rules dictated by the conscience.

These days, the civilisation of a country was judged by the number of industrial factories it had and by the strength of its naval and air forces.

But the criterion of judgment should be based on the fact whether or not the "inner law" prevailed in its people. Judged from this standpoint, India was the most civilised country inasmuch as she had no aggressive designs on others.

ADVICE TO NATIONALIST MUSLIMS

LAHORE, July 16 (API): An advice to its members not to take any step that might adversely affect the fundamental principles and mutual relations of freedom-loving political parties in India is contained in a resolution passed by the Working Committee of the Punjab Provincial Muslis-i-Ahrar to-day.

The Working Committee expressed its satisfaction at the setting up of a Sub-Committee at Delhi representing all national Muslims in the country to make a joint effort to protect and safeguard Muslim rights and Islamic interests in India.

KARACHI, July 16, (A. P. I.): Mr. B. K. Nehru and Mr. Kaiser Ahmed both members of the industrial delegation sent to Germany by the Planning Department of the Government of India to study the latest scientific processes there returned to Karachi yesterday and left for Bombay by air to-day.

BIHAR PREMIER SAYS TIMES HAVE CHANGED

Unable To Accept Resolution Urging Inquiry Into Police Excesses In '42

PATNA, July 16 (A.P.I.): The Bihar Assembly today accepted the amendment of one of the most controversial resolutions of the session moved by Mr. Phulan Prasad Verma (Congress) recommending the appointment of a commission to enquire into the excesses said to have been committed by Government officials during the 1942 disturbances after heated debates lasting four days.

Mr. D. P. I. Narain Sinha, Secretary of the Congress Party in the Bihar Assembly, today moved an amendment to the effect that Government should take suitable steps to enquire into the excesses and atrocities committed by Government servants in utter disregard of law during the political upheaval of 1942 and to take such action against the offenders as may be deemed appropriate on the basis of the enquiry.

Mr. M. Moriss (Anglo-Indian) said it would, perhaps, be more to the purpose, if there was an enquiry with regard to compensation for loss and damage than to enquire whether the manner in which the rebellion was met was human or not.

The Prime Minister Mr. Srikrishna Sinha replying to the debate said that the Government accepts the spirit lying behind this resolution, but Government is unable to accept the resolution in the form in which it was originally put before this House and Government has got its own reasons for that.

My friends, while speaking of atrocities of 1942 should also remember that the time has changed. In 1942 they were rebels out to pull down the structure of Imperialism in this country. Now in the year 1946 they are sitting here after having given permission to some of their own colleagues and friends to run this Government. We want their co-operation and help in this Government, and if a Government is to be run and run successfully, it is their duty as well as mine to see that no unnecessary stir and fear is caused in those on whom we have to rely in the running of this Government.

The same principles of civilised Government, Prime Minister concluded, which expect Government servants to keep themselves within the bounds of law also expect that no man will be punished unless he has actually been found guilty. We can appoint judicial tribunals to enquire into these allegations against individual officers who are supposed to have been guilty of such action in the year 1942.

It is my duty to find that no officers whatever his race, whatever his creed, whatever his nationality is punished for something which has not been established against him beyond doubt.

Therefore Government is unable to accept the proposal of the appointment of a Commission but certainly if instances are brought to the notice of Government—instances have been brought to the notice of Government in the course of the debate and if more instances are brought to the notice of Government—Government will certainly make enquiries and take steps as it thinks proper.

The amended resolution was passed without a division.

Baldev Singh Reminds League

LAHORE, July 17 (O.P.I.): "The responsibility of giving Sikhs the same privileges which Muslims and Hindus enjoy in the Constituent Assembly rests only with the League now as the Congress has openly declared that it considers this demand of Sikhs as just and reasonable and further that great injustice has been done to Sikhs by not giving them this right", declared Sardar Baldev Singh, leader of the Panthic Party in the Punjab Assembly, while discussing the implications of the Sikh community's boycott of the Constituent Assembly with the "Orient Press" in Lahore today.

Reiterating the Sikh demand, Sardar Baldev Singh added: "The resolutions raising the major communal issues in group "B" shall require the assent of the majority of Sikh representatives." The Sikh leader revealed that Pandit Nehru and Sardar Patel had given the Sikhs an assurance in writing that the Congress would support their demand and added that if the League comes out with identical announcement, the British Government shall have no objection to conceding the just Sikh demand as the Cabinet Mission had declared in the May 16 statement that provisions of the award could be altered only if the major parties agree to some change.

Concluding, the Development Minister of the Punjab remarked that following the declaration by the League, a date could be fixed for the by-election to the Constituent Assembly for the Sikh community.

Akalis' Stand Vindicated

NEW DELHI: Sardar Mangal Singh, M.L.A. (Central) in a statement to the A.P.I. says:

"I welcome the decision of the Congress President to permit Congress Sikh M.L.A.'s to obey the Panthik mandate in the matter of the boycott of the Constituent Assembly elections. I am glad that the Congress has now realised the force of the Sikh claim that in matters Panthik, they should

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SCUFFLE ON FLOOR OF ITALIAN ASSEMBLY

ROME, July 17, (A.P.A.): Rightists and leftists scuffled on the Assembly room floor last night to end yesterday's session of Italy's Constituent Assembly.

The scuffle, which was quickly ended by the intervention of the Assembly guards, appeared to be provoked by Signor Roberto Benci venga of the National Democratic Union, who referred to Allied aid to Italian emigrants.

The remarke angered the leftists some of whom descended from their seats to scuffle with members of the right.

When order was restored, Signor Bencivenga said he had not intended to offend anyone, adding that he would clarify his statement at Wednesday's session.

Violence Accompanies More Unemployment

CAIRO, (Reuter): Since the rising tide of unemployment in Egypt has been accompanied by the use of violence and the organisation of stay-in strike, the Egyptian Government has issued a statement appealing to workers, especially those without jobs, to maintain law and order.

Wafdists Are Not Communists, Says Sabri Pasha

CAIRO, July 17, (A.P.A.): Senator Sabri Abou Allam Pasha, leader of the Wafdist opposition, declared in the Egyptian Senate yesterday that the Wafdist Pary is not Communist, but the enemy of Communism.

The Senate was debating on the Government suppression of Wafdist papers, including the Wafdist organ "Al Wafd Al Misri".

Sabri Pasha said that when the Wafd was in power it had fought Communism and arrested those working for Communism, but he declared that the Wafd also worked for social reform and intended to help workers, farmers and all classes.

The Senate postponed until next Monday a vote on a Wafdist motion to nullify the Council of Ministers' action in suppressing one daily and six weekly magazines and newspapers.

BRITAIN AWAITS DECISION ON PRICE CONTROLS IN U. S.

WASHINGTON, July 17. (A.P.A.): Britain is likely to delay spending any of the £937,500,000 U. S. Loan until Congress decides the fate of price controls in America, a British Embassy spokesman said last night.

"As the situation stands now, one cannot be sure that the price situation won't change before we can get a cable across the Atlantic telling London that we have placed orders." he said.

Once the future of price control has been clarified in the United States, the official said, "purchases will be governed by supply more than by the availability of dollars."

The 50 per cent petrol ration increase, announced in London yesterday, was a direct result of the loan, the spokesman explained, since Britain had been conserving her petrol supply against the possibility that Congress might reject the loan.

Dried eggs certainly would be bought, along with quantities of fruit, while machine tools, tobacco and cotton purchases could be expected within the next three months, he added.

Mukherjee Asked To Withdraw Candidature

LAHORE, July 17 (APA): The Lahore Hindu Sabha Working Committee passed a resolution yesterday asking the All India Hindu Sabha President, Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee, why he agreed to Congress nominating him to the Constituent Assembly.

The Hindu Sabha sent a telegram to the Mahasabha President urging him to withdraw his nomination.

The Sabha also decided to set up an organisation "to effectively combat the B Group scheme of the British Cabinet Mission."

B. N. Rau's Functions

SIMLA, July 16 (U.P.I.): The function of the Constituticnal Adviser to the Constitution-making Body, whose appointment has been made subject to confirmation by the Constituent Assembly, the "United Press of India" reliably understands, will be to co-ordinate the work of the three groups and to place his advice at their disposal whenever sought, whether they are sitting jointly or separately.

As the Central P.W.D. will not be able to complete the work of converting the Library of the Central Assembly where the Constituent Assembly will meet before the third week of August, it is learnt from informed circles that the Constituent Assembly is likely to meet in the first week of September.

Sir B. N. Rau, Constitutional Adviser to the Constitution-making Body, who is now in Simla is leaving for Delhi on July 19.

NEW YORK, July 16, (UPA): Argentina is understood to have asked Russia whether the Soviet can provide her with German war materials and armaments. The Argentine request is said to have been submitted to the Soviet trade delegation which went to Buenos Aires some weeks before Russia and Argentina agreed to the establishment of diplomatic relations.

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be left free to take such action as they think proper to protect Sikh interests. Thus, the decision that Akalis took during the last election has been fully vindicated. If the Congress had accepted this view of the Akalis before the elections, the clash between the Congress and the Akalis resulting in bitterness and bad blood could have been easily avoided. If the leader of the Congress Party in the Central Assembly had taken a similar view and had permitted me to voice certain grievances of the Sikhs on the floor of the House as required of me by the Shiromani Akali Dal, it would not at all have been necessary for me to resign from the Congress Party and seek re-election on the Panthik ticket.

"I hope the Congress will officially embody this principle in the pledge of the Congress Sikh M.L.A.'s for their future guidance and this bridges the gulf between the Congress and the Akalis."

C. P. PUTS UP 17 CANDIDATES FOR CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY

NAGPUR, July 16 (API): For 17 seats from the Central Provinces to the Constituent Assembly only 17 candidates filed their nominations to-day. After scrutiny all the nominations were accepted.

Mr. R. K. Sidhwa, M.L.A. (Sind), who was here filed his nomination personally.

AHMEDABAD CITIZENS APPEAL TO PUBLIC

AHMEDABAD, July 16, (A. P. I.): Ahmedabad, where stray assaults of stabbing occurred during the past 10 days was quiet and peaceful today.

A number of prominent citizens have issued an appeal to the people to restore peace in the city by apprerending the assailants or reporting them to the police.

In the bourse of their appeal they state that after two or three days of rioting, stray assaults had occurred in different parts of the city with intervals of peace when normal life was being restored. One or two recent incidents of assaults had however created panic and disrupted normal life. In a big city like Ahmedabad stray assaults can only be stopped by the co-operation of the people with the police' concludes the appeal.

Mr. S. G. Berve District Magistrate left to-night for Poona to acquaint Government with the situation in Ahmedabad.

PEACE REIGNS IN ALLAHABAD

ALLAHABAD, July 17, (A.P.I.): No incident has been reported during the day to-day in the city and the situation showed signs of improvement. There was, however, evidence of nervousness as business activity was slack and few shops opened.

The police made elaborate arrangements for return of the Cheoki special to prevent any ugly incidents.

During an interview with a special Police Officer on duty in Kotwali the A.P.I. representative learnt that six miscreants were involved in yesterday's stabbing cases near South Malaca and they were absconding. The police has offered a reward of Rs. 50 per head for their arrests.

Vice-Admiral Geoffrey Miles In Bombay

Vice-Admiral Sir Jeoffrey Miles, Flag Officer Commanding Royal Indian Navy, arrived here to-day from Delhi on a four-day visit of inspection to ships and shore establishments of the R.I.N. in Bombay.

On his second tour of inspection to Bombay, since he took over as Flag Officer Commanding, Royal Indian Navy earlier this year, Admiral Miles present visit includes inspection of ships of the Reserve Fleet, H. M. I. Dockyard and the R.I.N. Depot.

During his stay in Bombay, Admiral Miles will also meet the Indian Victory contingent, comprising units of the Indian Army, Royal Indian Navy, and the Royal Indian Air Force who took part in the Victory celebrations in London early in June, and expected to arrive in Bombay shortly.

TOLL OF HEAT WAVE

MULTAN, July 17, (A.P.I.): About 35 deaths from heatstroke are reported to have occurred in Dera Ghazi Khan District during the last three weeks.

IMPROVEMENT IN SAVARKAR'S CONDITION

POONA, July 17 (A. P. I.): There was an improvement in the condition of Mr. V. D. Savarkar, former President of the Hindu Mahasabha. He still feels, however, very weak.

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Kohinoor Shares Look-Up On Persistent Professional Buying

OVERSOLD BULLION MARKET STEADIES ON SHORT COVERING

Cotton Declines On Persistent Tired Liquidation

Bombay, July 17

The Share Bazar was irregularly steady with moderate selling in some shares while others were actively supported by professional operators. The much dreaded news about strike threat at Jamshedpur failed to have any marked influence beyond little caution.

Tata Steel Defds opened quiet at Rs. 3297 and steadily advanced at Rs. 3325 under professional support. At the rise there was increased selling and Defds downturned at Rs. 3302 and steadied at Rs. 3312. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 584 and after advancing to Rs. 592 steadied at Rs 589.

Cotton Mill shares opened steady and recorded moderate improvement under the leadership of Kohinoor shares which opened at Rs. 1003 and rose to Rs. 1030. At this level the improvement was checked by some realising and were quoted at Rs. 1024. Bombay Dyeing shares opened at Rs 2773 and improved at Rs. 2790 but later eased off at Rs. 2770 under moderate profit-taking.

Towards the close the market was steady. Tata Steel Defds were quoted at Rs. 3315. Ordinary Rs. 590. Bombay Dyeings were placed at Rs. 2780. Gokaks were quoted at Rs. 414 and Simplex shares were placed at Rs. 465. Kohinoors were active at Rs. 1026. Bellapurs changed hands at Rs. 347/8 and Associated Cements were placed at Rs. 265.

In view of reduction in weekly hours in mills from 54 to 48, most of the mills are going on fine counts as the recent increase in ceiling prices of fine counts more than make good the loss of production. Thus our mills are likely to mint huge profits in the face of reduction in the output. This belief is attracting buyers. Moreover the price of cloth in international markets is very high as American cotton prices have soared high and all exports of cloth by our mills will bring additional profits.

As a result of day's working Tata Steel Dfds. gained Rs. 5, Ordinary Rs. 2/8, Bombay Dyeing Rs. 6/4 Kohinoor Rs. 34, Swadesh Rs. 25, Nagpur Rs. 8 and Simplex Rs. 8.

COTTON MILLS.

Bombay Dyeing 2780 Century 1225, Nagpur 519 Swadeshi 885 New Great 590 Simplex 469 Kohinoor 1036 Colaba 452/8 Gokak 419 Phoenix 1225 Mysore 350 Indian Bleaching 253 Swan 489 Finlay 459 Morarji 927/8 Indore 996/4

STEEL

Tata Steel Deferred 3322/8 Tata Steel Ordinary 592/8

ELECTRIC SHARES

Tata Hydro 245/8 Andra Valley 2087/8 Tata Power 2195 Tram (Ord) 164/8

CEMENT

Asso. Merger 265

INDUSTRIES

Burma 792/8 Alcock 630 Bellapur 347 Shivrajpur 62/8 Steamer (Ord) 856 Scindia 57/8 Premier Construction 375

CASH SHARES (TEXTILES)

Apollo 6/10 Elphinstone 121/8 India United (Ord) 26/15 India United (Def) 6/8 India Manufacturing 4600 Coorla 4095 Khatau 492/8 Dawn 1413 David 2300 New City 385 Minerva 276/4 Bradbury 622/8 Bharucha (Dfd) 16 Bharat 80 Madhavji 28/8 Model 322/8 Laxmi Cotton 2125 Vishnu Cotton 825 Western 4600 Standard 710 Sholapur 10,000 Sassoon Cotton 31/12 Hindustan 4600 Meyer Sassoon 362/8 Edward 880 Tata 138 Ahmedabad Advance 545 Sassoon Silk 129 New Indian 32/12 Podar 432/8 Madhusudan 600 Madhusudan B 113 Shrinivas 587/8 Raja Bahadur 139/6 Berar 430 Victoria 425

ELECTRIC SHARES (CASH)

Ahmedabad 218/12 (New) 122/8 Surat (Ord) 257/8 (New) 190 Karachi 240 Broach 14 Ajmer 16 Amalgamated 20/12 Jalgaon 14/12 Nagpur 58 Poona 305 Bombay Suburban 248/12 Bombay Suburban (New) 160

BANK SHARES

Reserve 177/8 Imperial 3265 P. P. 817/8 Central 153 India 281/8 Union 18/12 Baroda 226 Habib 161 ABC 58 Dena Bank 74 United Commercial 130 Jaipur 86/8 Hindustan Commercial 70 National Savings (fully paid) 88/4 National Savings (part paid) 54/8 Mysore 505 Exchange (Ord) X. R. 85 Eastern 112

INSURANCE

Oriental 8500 Empire 1380 New India 122 Jupiter 56/4 Vulcan 25/8 Indian Mercantile 86 Universal Fire 23 Vasant 26/4 British India General 36 Industrial Prudential 68 Neptune 13/4 New Great 43 All-India General 62/8.

RAILWAYS

Ahmedabad Prantij 695 C. P. 105 Pachora 95

MISCELLANEOUS

Burma New 306/4 Burma Petrol 6/11/6 Tata Oil 136 Port Canning 116 Kemp 510 Zandu Pharmacy 218/2 Indian Radio (Ord) 376/4 Indian Radio B 375 Indian Radio 375 Indian Investment Trust 146/8 Wimco 695 Tata Chemical 28/14 Dharamsey Chemical 50/8 Mukund Iron 15/2 Dena Trust 28/8 Alembic 407/8 Supreme India 205 (New) 180 Jamwire 147 Bombay Uganda 85 Bombay Motor Cycle 43/8 Indian Cement 42 Walchandnagar Industries 555 United Motor 46 ACC (New) 139 Baroda Glass 10/14

PREFERENCE SHARES

Tata Steel (1st Pref) 273/8 Tata Steel (2nd Pref) 203 Tram 74/8 Andhra Valley 1720 Tata Power 1822/8 Hydro 177/8 Bombay Steamer 352/8 Swadeshi 170 Vishnu 810 Laxmi 318/12 New Great 268/12 Podar 117 Shrinivas 101 Elphinstone 148/2 Bradbury 591/4 Surat Ele. 211/4 Premier Construction (1st Pref) 155 (2nd Pref) 152/4 Amalgamated 156/4 Habib 72 Tata Chemical 150 Walchandnagar Industries 550 Jupiter 19/12 Supreme 120 Baroda Glass 11/12

OUTSIDE SHARES

Indian Iron Steel 68/5 Bengal Steel 61 Indian Copper 5/14/6 B. I. C. 18 Burma Corporation 7/10 New Victoria Mill 10/3 New Victoria Pref. 11/8 Raja Pref 71 Phalkan 142 Gold Mohur 455 New Kaiser Hind 2750 Sajjan Mill 505 Osmanshahi 462/8 Ajamshahi 440 Air Service 37/8 Birla Motors 11/4 Marshal 16/8

GOLD & SILVER

Bombay, July 17

The Bullion market was fairly steady to-day with a moderate business. The recent decline is overdone and from an overbought state the market has become oversold. Some say that the decline is due to the present change in the contract while others claim that the decline is due to changed conditions. There may be some truth in these arguments but prices move up and down in tune with demand and supply. Professional operators unloaded their holdings and there came the decline and in spite of the causes if they buy, prices will again harden.

Forward silver opened to-day at Rs. 153/4 and improved at Rs. 153/12 under moderate buying but declined to Rs. 152/12 on renewed selling and steadied at Rs. 153/2. Gold opened at Rs. 85/8 and after improving at Rs. 85/14 quietened at Rs. 85/4. Sovereigns were quoted at Rs. 62/4.

There was renewed selling which depressed forward silver at Rs. 152/2 while Gold declined further at Rs. 84/2.

In the afternoon the market again ruled steady with moderate buying and final quotations were as under:—

	Rs.	as.	p.
Ready Silver	153	4	0
Forward Silver	153	6	0
Ready Gold	85	12	0
Forward Gold	84	12	0

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, July 17

The Cotton market was dull to-day with scattered selling. The market was expected to open at Rs. 475/8 for September delivery but opened quiet at Rs. 475 and declined at Rs. 472/8 under moderate selling.

Now it is time for the East India Cotton Association to raise its powerful voice in stating true state of cotton both domestic and international and demand justice for millions of cotton growers. The Association has an opportunity to prove that it is not merely a buying and selling place but also represents India's cotton trade. The existence of the market entirely depends upon the production of cotton and if the Government persists in their present policy of robbing Peter to pay Paul it will seriously affect in future upon the production of raw cotton in this country. The Government is bound to do justice to agriculturists and the voice of the Association is bound to have desired effect.

September Contract declined at Rs. 471/8 but recovered at Rs. 472/8 under short covering. The market was quiet.

The market again ruled quiet on continued tired liquidation and September declared at Rs. 470 at this level shorts covering and September rallied at Rs. 472/12. The market finally closed at 5-30 p.m. as under:—

I.C.C. July	464	4	0
I.C.C. Sept.	472	4	0

INDIAN COTTON PARITY.

Indian Cotton September delivery is 1641 cent points below New York October at Exchange rate 331.

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES.

BOMBAY, July 16.

	Hi.	Lo.	Close.
I.C.C. July	468	465/8	466/8
I.C.C. Sept.	475/8	475/8	475/8
Karachi July	52/7	51/10	52/1/9

BOMBAY PRODUCE

Bombay, July 17

The Produce market was quietly steady with no business in Groundnuts and Castorseeds. Thus there was no change in quotations. Groundnut Oil Mills delivery was quoted at Rs. 17/2. Tank Wagon condition quotation was Rs. 16/14, while July/August business was done at Rs. 16/6. Linseed ready was placed at Rs. 26/6. Business in July/August delivery linseed was done at Rs. 26/4 and August/September quotation was Rs. 26/7. So far no news is received from the British Food Ministry about purchases of linseed.

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE.

BOMBAY, July 17.

Tata Ordinary 592/8; Tata Deferred 3322/8; Indian Iron 68/5; Steel Corpn. of Bengal 61; Bombay Dyeing 2780; Central India 518/12; Century 1225; Gokak 416/4; Kohinoor 1036/4; Simplex 469; Andhra Valley 2087/8; Tata Hydro 245/10; Tata Power 2195; Associated Cement 265; Belapur 346/14; Bombay Burma (Old) 792/8.

RECORD OF ACTUAL TRANSACTIONS IN SHARES

BOMBAY, July 17.

MILLS

Apollo 6/11 6/12/6 6/10 Bharat 79/12 80/4 80 B. Dyeing 2770 75 72/8 97/8 92/8 95 87/8 92/8 85 67/8 65 82/8 67/8 80 Bradbury Ord. 622/8 C. India Ord. 513 8 15 13 19 26 13 12 18 15 19 Century 1207/8 25 Colaba 452/8 Edward 880 Elphinstone Ord 120 21/8 Elphinstone Pref. 147/8 48/2 Finlay 456 55 59 57 61 56/8 59 Gokak 408 18 12 19/8 19 India U. Defd. 6/3/6 6/2/6 6/8 6/6/6 6/8 6/6/6 6/9 6/6/6 6/9 6/8 India Ord. 26/7 27 26/10 26/13 26/8 26/7 26/15 Indore 995 1000 997/8 1008/12 995 96/4 Khatau 490 92/8 Kohinoor 1000 1032 26 28 26 29/8 45 27 23 36 Laxmi 2125 Madhusudan 600 Meyer 352/12 67/8 58/12 62/8 Minerva 275 76/4 Morarji 927/8 New City 385 New Great 565 76 68 78 75 90 Phoenix 1130 1225 Podar 422/8 32/8 Sassoon Silk 127/12 29 Sassoon Cotton 31/12 Srinivas 566/4 87/8 Simplex 459 63/8 62/8 66/8 61/8 69/8 69 Swadeshi 863 70 68 60 68 75 71 87 84 85 Swan 488 87 89 Tata 139 37/8 38 Vishnu 840 30 35 25

BANKS

Baroda 225 26 Central 149/8 54 51/8 53 Habib 150 51 Imperial Old 3259 40 70 65 Imperial New 820 15 17/8 India 281/8 Reserve 177/8 78 77/8 Union 18/14 U. Com. 130

ELEC. COS.

Andhra Valley 2090 77/8 90 87/8 Tramway Ord 166 64 64/8 63/8 64/8 Tram Pref. 74/8 B. Suburban 252/8 48/12 Hydro Ord. 245 44 45/8 Power Ord. 2200 2205 2192/8 95

INSURANCE COMPANIES

New India 121/12 21/4 22/8 22 Universal 23/4 23 Bombay Steam 855 57/8 Scindia 57 56/14 58/2 57/8 57/14 56/14 57/8

STEEL COS.

Bengal 60/8 61/8 61 I. Iron 67/12 67/10 68/12 68/2 68/6 68/3 68/5 Tata Defd. 3295 3310 7/8 35 17/8 28/12 12/8 17/8 2/8 22/8 8/12 17/8 13/12 22/8 Tata Ord. 586 85 89 87 90 89 93/8 91/8 95 92 93 89/8 91/8 89/8 92/8 2nd Pref. 202 3

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcock 682/8 81/4 A. Cement 264/8 65/12 65 66/4 65 Belapur 348 46 49/8 46 47/8 45/8 47 Burma Old 790 86/4 92/8 83/12 92/8 Burma New 307/8 6/4 B.B. Petrol 6/12/3 6/11 6/11/6 I. Bleaching 257 53 57 56 I. I. Trust 146/8 P. Const. Ord. 375 83 70 80 74 75 Shivrajpur 62 61/8 63/8 62 8 Tata Chemical Ord. 27/12 29 28/14 Tata Oil 135 36 Western India Match 680 95 Kurla Mills 405 1/4 5 New Union Mills 23 32/8 32/12 Jaipur Bank 86/6 Supreme Industries Ord. 205 A.C.C. New 139

HAPUR MARKET

HAPUR, July 16.

Silver Opened 153/2; Highest 153/1; Lowest 150/4; Present 152/4; Gold Opened 86/12; Highest 86/12; Lowest 84/2; Present 85/2; Market broke down nervously on heavy speculative liquidations recovering partially on profit coverings Guwar Maha 7/7/10-1/2; unsteady. Bardana Asuj 60/12; Ready DW 63/6; MD 60; Wheat 10/4; Market Rate 15/8; Stock 331; Khattis Gram 13/8; Peas 10/11; Bejhar 10/12; Barley 7/3; Arhar 9/11/3; Gur 14/4; Shakkar 55; Wheat procured upto date 59 643 Mds.

CALICUT MARKET

CALICUT, July 17.

Cocoanuts Raw 170; Dry 205; Cocoanut Oil 630; Copra Office 417/8; Dilpasand 450; Madras Nottam 490; Goodgoods 465; Pepper Wynaad 550; Country 545; Dry Ginger Chernad 360; Ernad 335; Coffee Robusta 83.

AHMEDABAD SHARE BAZAR AT STAND STILL.

AHMEDABAD, July 17.

Today payment in local share market was decided after fifteen days close, but when work was going on various reports regarding disturbances being spread, the work was discontinued and those present left the premises.

TEA PRICES IN U. S. A.

NEW YORK, July 16 (U. P. A.): The Tea Bureau announced today that there has been no general increase in tea prices since the removal of O. P. A. ceilings and added that no large boosts are expected.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

London, July 16.

	&
Rupee Paper 3-1/2 p c	75.3/4
Consols 2-1/2 p c	96-15/16
Conversion Loan 3-1/2 p o 1961	111.15/16
War Loan 3-1/2 p o 1952 and after	106-11/16
Funding Loan 4 p c 1960/90	117.3/4
Victory Bonds 4 p c	119-1/4
Chartered Bank of I. A. and China	11.31/32
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank (London Reg.)	90
National Bank of India	39-3/4

NEW YORK SILVER.

New York, July 16.

United States price of Foreign Silver 90-1/8 cents.

RESERVE BANK OF INDIA

An Account pursuant to the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934, for the week ending the 12th day of July.

ISSUE DEPARTMENT

LIABILITIES	Rs.
Notes held in the Banking Department	24,43,76,000
Notes in circulation	1229,48,97,000
Total Notes issued	1253,92,73,000

ASSETS	Rs.
A. Gold Coin and Bullion :—	
(a) Held in India	44,41,45,000
Sterling Securities	1135,32,89,000
Total of A	1179,74,34,000
B. Rupee Coin	16,34,24,000
Government of India Rupee Securities	57,84,13,000
Total Assets	1253,92,73,000

Ratio of Total of A to 94.084 per cent. Liabilities :

BANKING DEPARTMENT

LIABILITIES	Rs.
Capital paid up	5,00,00,000
Reserve Fund	5,00,00,000
Deposits :—	
(a) Government	
(1) Central Government of India	472,84,81 000
(2) Government of Burma	11,32,000
(3) Other Government Accounts	15,71,85,000
(b) Banks	106,01,12 000
(c) Others	5,64,43 000
Bills Payable	2,13,80.0.0
Other Liabilities	15,34,02,000
Rupees	629,81,95,000

ASSETS	Rs.
Notes	24,43,76 000
Rupee Coin	24,74,000
Subsidiary Coin	1,75,000
Balances held abroad	564,95,49,000
Loans and Advances to Governments	..
Other Loans and Advances	5,75,000
Investments	24,87,57,000
Other Assets	15,22,89,000
Rupees	629,81,95,000

Includes Cash and Short term Securities.

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, July 17.

B. C. Rates T. T. T. D. D. 1/5 15/16. London Banks Selling T. T. D. D. 1/5 31/32.

London Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 1/32 to 9th months.

London Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 1/16. 10th-12th months.

London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 1/16 to 4th months.

London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 3/32 6th and 6th months.

London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 1/8 7th-9th months.

London Banks Buying 90 d/st. 1/6 5/32 to 4th months.

London Banks Buying 90 d/st. 1/6 3/16 5th and 6th months.

London Banks Buying 90 d/st. 1/6 7/32 7th and 9th months.

New York B. C. Rate T. T. Rs. 332 1/2

New York Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 332 1/2.

New York Banks Buying T. T. Rs 329 3/4.

New York Banks Buying D. D. Rs. 328 3/4 under L/C.

New York Banks Buying D. D. Rs. 328 1/2 not under L/C.

Montreal Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 333.

Montreal Banks Buying T. T. Rs. 329 1/4.

Montreal Banks Buying D. D. Rs. 328 1/4.

Paris Banks Selling T. T. Fcs. 3550.

Paris Banks Buying T. T. Fcs. 3650.

Amsterdam Banks Selling T. T. D D. Fl. 79.

Java Banks Selling T. T. D. D. ——

Hongkong Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 83 1/4.

Singapore Banks Selling T. T. D. D Rs. 157.

CROSS RATE.

New York/London dol. 4.03 2/8-4.03 1/2.

London/Hongkong dol. 1/2 13-16-1/3 3-32.

London/Singapore dol. 2/3 15/16-2/4 5-32.

London/Paris Fcs. 479.70-480.30.

London/Belgium Fcs. 176 1/2.3/4.

London/Switzerland Fcs. 17.34-36

London/Stockholm Kr. 14.47—50

London/Denmark Kr. 19.32-19.36.

London/New York dol. 4.02 1/2-4.03 1/2.

London/Montreal dol. 4.02-4.04.

London Amsterdam Fl. 10.68.10.70.

London/Java Fl. 7.58-7.62.

London/Bangkok Tel. 40

Tone of Sterling Exchange :—Quiet, Gold London £8-12-3.

Gold New York dol. 35.

Silver London 44d.

Silver New York unquoted.

London Discts. 3 months 17/32 p c.

London Discts. 6 months 9/16-5/8 p c.

Reserve Bank Rate 3 p c. Bank of England Rate 2 p c.

Money :—Call 1/4 p c. 3 Mos. 1/2 p c 6 Mos. 3/4 p c. 12 Mos. 1 1/4 p c.

TONE : Fair demand

Heavy Water For Atomic Power Experiments

LONDON, July 17, (Reuter): Heavy water, a liquid, looking like ordinary water, but costing £1,500 per pint is to be made in Britain for atomic power experiments according to Mr. Chapman Pinchen, who contributes scientific articles to the 'Daily Express'.

Heavy water when mixed with Uranium starts a continuous stream of energy from the metal.

Scientists at the Atomic Energy Research Station at Didcot in Berkshire will now be able to build "pocket" atom batteries to speed application of atomic energy to industry and ship propulsion.

Wall Street Quietly Irregular Awaiting O. P. A. Result

General Profit Taking In New York Cotton Market

NEW YORK, July 16.

Wall Street opened easy but moderately active. Further insistent selling directed principally against selected industrials, rails and wetstocks saw declines on balance during the morning moving further fractions to two points lower into levels not plumbed since early May. In moderately active dealings with trading largely professional in character, the market showed no signs of regaining equilibrium aside from scattered resistant spots, notably rubbers. The latter reflected reports of rubber products in the first half of 1946 at a record high and supplies of synthetic and natural rubber appear adequate resulting in record production throughout 1946. Some factors behind the current liquidating movement include confusion over O. P. A. status. Chartists stressing past performance believe the industrial average is likely to encounter stiff resistance if and when 200 peak is reached. Assorted steels, chemicals, wetstocks and department stores led a moderately active rally which wiped out numerous earlier declines. As the pressure feebly but steadily tapered of buyers confidence returned apparently with belief that the latest snakedown may have been improved the technical position. At the close price changes mostly ranged upto one point or so with declines still predominating. Prices were helped at times by the Secretary of Agriculture, Mr. Anderson's request to the interstate commerce commission to hold Washington hearings on the carriers petition for general freight rate increase. The House referring the O. P. A. Bill to the Senate and House conference is regarded as a victory for the administration but some brokers are speculating on the changes of the bill emerging therefrom in a form acceptable to them.

American Telephone and Telegraph 198-1/8

Amerex Corporation	29-1/2
Anaconda Copper Mining	45-3/8
Chase National Bank	42.3/8
Sinclair Oil	18-5/8
Firestone Tyre and Rubber Co. correct	72
General Electric Co.	46-1/8
General Motors	68-5/8
Ingersol Rand	140
International Nickel	37.3/8
National City Bank of New York	44-3/4
New York Central Rail Road Co.	23.7/8
Socony Vacuum Corporation	17-5/8
Texas Corporation	64-1/4
Union Carbon and Carbide	111-1/2
U. S. Smelting Refining Mining Co.	61
U. S. Steel Corporation (Common)	90.1/8
Western Union Telegraph	25-3/8

DECLINE IN COTTON.

Cotton opened easy 24 to 34 lower for active new crops on overnight accumulation of profit taking chiefly attributed to technical considerations and some nervousness that the price control bill would go to the House and Senate conference and possibly emerge stronger than presently indicates. The market evidently was nervous after yesterday's buoyancy and the strength exhibited since the price control system collapse and fluctuated irratically in the remainder of the morning. Prices rallied on renewal of trade and mill support but this lack recent aggressiveness and further active profit-taking brought another sharp decline with prices fluctuating five to ten points between sales. Besides increased profit-taking, there was some selling on theory that the market is entitled to technical correction and this pressure brought prices to levels where stoploss selling orders were uncovered. Prices of active months declined about 60 points under this pressure but the market rallied again prior to noon on short covering and sudden dryup of contracts. At midday the market was erratic, 41 to 34 lower. The market continued extremely nervous during the afternoon and again fluctuated erratically with quick alternating spurts of profit-taking and hedges opposed to trade and mill buying. Uncertainties in connection with new price control legislation are still creating considerable confusion though the market is undoubtedly feeling the effects of the recent bull movement. The market closed steady, 17 to 56 lower though new crops were mostly about 60 points under yesterday's close. Sales are estimated at 325,000 bales.

CHICAGO GRAINS

Chicago grains were weak reflection excellent crop markets and belief that livestock marketings at sharply higher prices will eventually result in reduced feeding demands. The House action in sending the O. P. A. Bill to conference, the sharp reaction of the Minneapolis cash oats market as well as the easiness of cotton were additional depressing factors.

NEW YORK COTTON.

New York, July 16.

July	34.86—17
October	34.78—80
October highest	35.14—09
October lowest	34.57—66
December	34.86—83
January	34.85—83
March	34.75—55
May	34.51—48
July	33.85—48
Middling Spot	35.34—50

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

July bid	34.40—65
October	34.57—68
December	34.75—65
March	34.67—63
May	34.48—41
Middling Spot	34.65—55

NEW YORK COTTON, NOON CALL.

July	unquoted.
October	34.84
December	34.97

HONGKONG IN DANGER OF BEING HIT BY TYPHOON

HONG KONG, July 17, (APA): A fierce typhoon was reported bearing down on this crown colony today, and was expected—unless it veered suddenly from its path—to hit the colony some time tomorrow afternoon or evening.

Late last night, the typhoon was reported about 200 miles east of northern Luzon, moving west-northwest at a speed of about ten knots. All shipping in the area has been warned to seek cover.

POLISH BANDITS' OUTRAGES

WARSAW, July 17 (APA): A mounting toll of Russian soldiers' lives, as well as the steady and systematic killings of Jews by outlawed Polish bandits were reported today by Polish newspapers.

A strong N. S. Z. band attacked a passenger train near Lublin, dragged off six Russians and killed them in a most brutal manner, said the newspaper "Glos Ludu". This made a reported total of at least 25 Russians killed by bandits within a month.

SPAIN SIGNS AGREEMENT WITH VATICAN

MADRID, July 16 (Reuter): Spain to-day signed an agreement with the Vatican on the appointment of minor orders in priesthood as a step towards eventual signature of a Concordat with the Pope.

The Concordat of 1851 which was in force when the Republic was proclaimed in 1931 technically ceased to exist as a result of anti-Catholic laws passed by the Republic.

To-day's agreement was officially stated to "put an end to the abnormal situation created in Spain as a consequence of the secular policy of the Republican Government."

Hunger Strike In Sympathy With Jews At Latrun Camp

JERUSALEM, July 16, (Reuter): Jewish detainees at Latrun Detention Camp, 20 miles from Jerusalem tonight declared hunger strike in sympathy with the hunger strike declared last night at Rafa Camp on the Palestine-Egyptian border.

It is understood that the hunger strikers at Latrun quoted Moshe Sheriok, head of the Political Bureau of the Jewish Agency and Dr. Bernard Joseph, legal adviser to the Jewish Agency.

Hand-Grenade Explosion In Calcutta

CALCUTTA, July 16 (API): One person was killed in what is believed to have been a hand-grenade explosion in Watganj Area of Calcutta this evening.

The police are investigating. Details are lacking.

SIX INJURED IN TRAFFIC ACCIDENT

Six persons were injured—two of them seriously—in a traffic accident on Circular Garden Reach Road (Kidderpore Area) this evening.

It is stated that a military truck, while passing that way swerved on to the footpath and dashed against a hotel overlooking the road. Six persons who were injured were admitted to hospital.

The driver of the truck has since been arrested and handed over to the Military Police.

PLANE CRASHES INTO JUMNA

ALLAHABAD, July 16. (A.P.I.): An aeroplane crashed in the Jumna river while on a test flight yesterday afternoon. The crash was due to some engine trouble, it is stated. The pilots of the plane are safe.

JODHPUR RY. STRIKE CALLED OFF

(From A Correspondent)

JODHPUR, July 15: Jodhpur Rly. strike was unconditionally called off yesterday afternoon. All staff members are working today. Normal train services are being resumed immediately. Goods traffic will be resumed tomorrow, subject to certain temporary restriction.

PUNJAB PREMIER'S HEALTH

LAHORE, July 16 (A.P.I.): Malik Sir Khizar Hayat Khan Tiwana, Premier of the Punjab, who left London on July 12 by air for Lahore, discontinued his journey at Marseilles as he developed high temperature and serious pain in the body. He was advised to discontinue the journey as it was suspected that he had developed pneumonia. Sir Khizar was flown back to London but on examination there it was found that he was not suffering from pneumonia and that fever was due to some other cause.

Today Sir Khizar Hayat Khan talked to Sardar Baldev Singh, Development Minister, on the telephone and said that he was progressing satisfactorily, although he was still running temperature.

£2,000,000 Airfield For Egypt

CAIRO, (Reuter): Agreement has been reached between the American authorities and the Egyptian Government for the purchase by Egypt of Payne Field airfield here at a price of £2,000,000.

O.B.E. REJECTED IN PROTEST

NEW YORK, July 17 (Reuter): Mrs. Stephen, the wife of the President of the American Jewish Congress, has rejected an award of membership of the Order of the British Empire in a protest against British policy in Palestine, it is learned here.

DISPOSALS

NEW WIRE ROPE

Tender No. DGD/SR-30385/MMH-IV/I & S.

The Director General Disposals (M. M. & H. Directorate), New Delhi, invites by 22nd July 1946, tenders for the purchase of New Wire Rope, about 462.880 ft. in various gauges, lying at Bombay.

MILD STEEL WOOD SCREWS

Tender No. DGD/SR-60132/E. G.-II

The Director General Disposals (M. M. & H. Directorate), New Delhi, invites by the 24th July 1946 tenders for the purchase of imported Mild Steel Wood Screws in good condition packed in original packets and of various sizes. Only offers valued Rupees one lakh or more will be entertained.

COPPER WIRE

Tender No. DGD/EG-4/SR-50007

The Director General Disposals (E. G. Directorate), New Delhi, invites by 26th August 1946, tenders for the purchase of Copper Wire about 5,400 yards of various types, lying at Panagarh.

IMPORTANT NOTE

Full particulars regarding goods, facilities for inspection, depositing of earnest money, and procedure for submission of offers for taking delivery may be obtained from this Office or Directorate General of Disposals, New Delhi, or Regional Commissioners Disposals, Calcutta, Lahore Cawnpore, and branch offices at Madras and Karachi.

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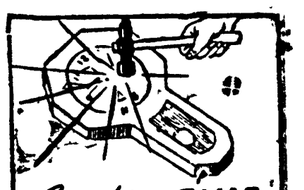

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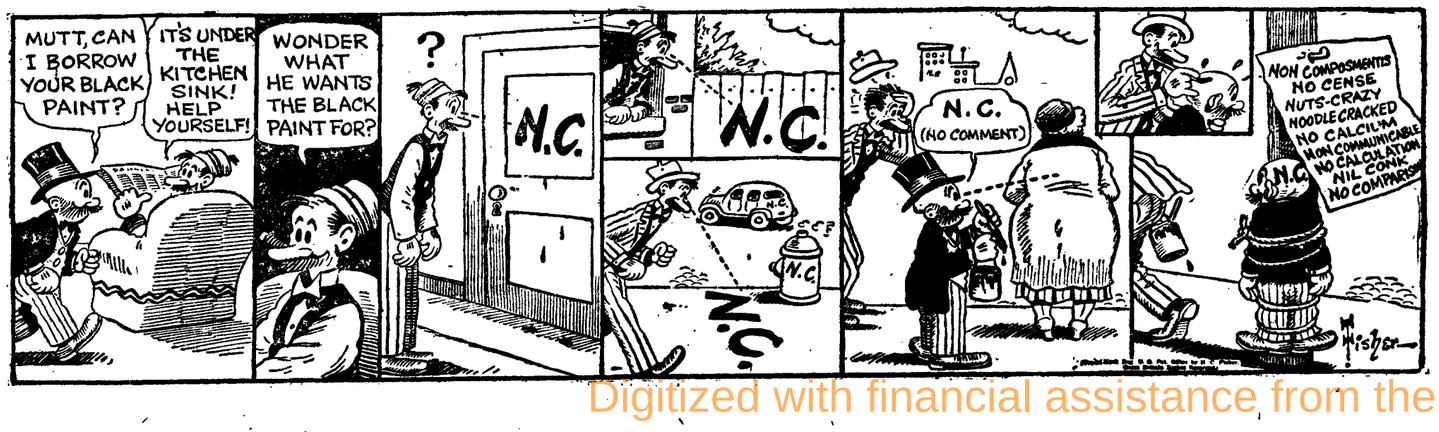
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PUBLIC NOTICES

JODHPUR RAILWAY

AS IT IS POSSIBLE THAT permanent vacancies may be available on this railway shortly for various grades of staff, applications are invited from candidates who may wish to be considered for these.

Particulars of the posts and grades available may be obtained from the Head of Department concerned and applications with copies of testimonials, should be submitted to the various Heads of Departments listed below.

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NOTICE.

IN TERMS of Act VI of 1933 authorising private companies to obtain licences for establishing water works for the supply of Water to the cities, the Municipal Board, Bareilly desires to arrange the Water Supply within the Municipal limits through a Commercial Company. All such companies desiring to undertake this work will please enter into correspondence with the Chairman Municipal Board, Bareilly, specifying the conditions on which the firms wish to take up the licence. The municipal Board will after going through all such correspondence select one of the firms for this work.

Any information required will be supplied by the Municipal Office on request.

(Sd.) BANWARI LAL AGARWAL,
Chairman,
Municipal Board,
Bareilly, 27|6|46.
(8773)

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the following posts in the Commercial Intelligence and Industrial Statistics Section of the Department of Industries, Bombay. The posts are temporary but likely to be made permanent.

(1) LIBRARIAN: In the grade of Rs. 120-5-220.

Candidates should be graduates of a recognised University and possess in addition to a Diploma in Librarianship, sound practical experience of not less than four years in Library management and routine.

(2) STENOGRAPHERS: In the grade of Rs. 50-5/2-90-5-140 plus short-hand allowance admissible according to speed viz. Rs. 15/- for a speed of 60 words, Rs. 30/- for a speed of 100 words and Rs. 40/- for a speed of 140 words a minute.

(3) TYPIST: In the grade of Rs. 50-5/2,-90.

Candidates with good typing speed preferred.

Minimum qualification required for posts (2) and (3) is matriculation of a recognised University. Age limit for direct recruits for post (1) is 30 years but may be relaxed upto 35 in the case of a candidate specially qualified and for (2) and (3) 25 years at the time of appointment.

Candidates must be natives of the Province of Bombay as defined in Section 3 (d) of the B.C.S. Classification and Recruitment Rules. Candidates already in Government service should apply through the Heads of the Departments in which they are serving.

Candidates must state at the top of the application the post for which they are applying and mark it "C.I. & I.S."

Applications containing full particulars regarding age, educational qualifications, experience, domicile etc. and accompanied by the copies of evidence in respect of the above particulars as well as of any testimonials regarding character and ability should be sent by POST addressed to the Director of Industries and Statistics Authority, Old Custom House Yard, Fort, Bombay, and should reach him on or before 18th August, 1946.

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION BOMBAY-SIND

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED before 31-8-1946 from natives of the Bombay Province for the post of DEPUTY DIRECTOR, SIR J. J. SCHOOL OF ART, BOMBAY. PAY: Rs. 500 during first two years and thereafter Rs. 550-25-800 PLUS war allowance and Government quarters on rent of 10 per cent. of pay when available. AGE: Not less than 30 and ordinarily not more than 45 years on 1-11-1946, subject to relaxation in the case of Bombay Government servants. QUALIFICATIONS: (i) First class artistic qualifications in painting and design or sculpture, (ii) thorough knowledge of at least one artistic craft, (iii) a very good general education, including a good knowledge of English and (iv) experience of teaching. Candidates should be capable teachers and able organisers. Application form supplied on receipt of large addressed envelope with 3½ annas stamps and UNCROSSED Indian Postal Order for Re. 1|- payable to the "Secretary, Bombay-Sind Public Service Commission, Bombay", who will also supply full details on request.

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION. BENGAL.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from Muslim candidates to fill the post of Officer-in-Charge of the Poultry Vaccine Institute in the Bengal Veterinary Service. The post has been sanctioned for a period of five years for the present. PAY—The scale of pay is Rs. 150-25-200-25/2-300-50/2-650 but the grant of initial pay at a rate higher than the minimum of the scale to a specially qualified candidate will be considered on the basis of age, qualifications and experience. AGE—must not exceed 35 years on 1st August, 1946. Qualifications—a candidate must have a diploma of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons, or must have a University degree in Science with at least two of the following subjects, namely, Chemistry, Physics or Zoology and also the diploma of a recognised Veterinary College. Preference will be given to a candidate who is a native of, or permanently domiciled in Bengal. Full details and application forms may be obtained from the Secretary, Public Service Commission, Bengal, Anderson House, Alipore, Calcutta, personally or on sending an addressed envelope with a nine pice stamp affixed. They will not be supplied on receipt of mere stamps. Letters must not be addressed to the Secretary by name. Last date for receipt of applications on prescribed form, together with a treasury receipt for Rs. 5, 31st July, 1946.

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DACCA UNIVERSITY

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for a temporary Readership in Mathematics for about two years from 11th November, 1946 on a salary in the scale of Rs. 400-40/2-600 initial salary depending on qualification. Applications should reach the Registrar not later than 20th August 1946. For full particulars please apply to the Registrar.

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NOTICE TO TENANTS

TENANTS of the property No. 33, situated at Nanabhai Lane, Fort, Bombay are hereby informed to see the Estate Manager, 381 Ismail Bldg., (Room No. 19), Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay on or before the 31st July, 1946. Tenants who fail to see the Estate Manager before that date it will be taken as certain that such tenants do not require their rooms and shops and the same will be let out to others without regard to their claims if any.

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NOTICE TO COMMON JURORS.

MEMBERS OF COMMON JURY summoned for the current Criminal Sessions are required to attend the High Court, on the 2nd floor on THURSDAY, the 18th July, 1946, at 2-45 P.M. (S.T.).

A. A. JASDENVALA,
Sheriff of Bombay.
Bombay, 17th July, 1946.

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THE MADHUSUDAN MILLS, LTD. NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING will be held on THURSDAY, the 15th August, 1946, at 5 p.m. (S.T.) at the Registered Office of the Company to consider and if thought fit to pass two Special Resolutions set out in the Notice of Meeting to the Shareholders.

By order of the Board,
AMERSEY DAMODER,
Agents.
Bombay, dated 15th July, 1946.

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BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY. NOTIFICATION.

REPAYMENT of the 4% 2nd Rs. 24½ lakhs Loan for certain Sewerage Works due on 1st August 1946.

DEBENTURE HOLDERS are informed that the Imperial Bank of India, Bombay, have been appointed agents of the Municipal Corporation for the repayment of the principal due.

DEBENTURES WILL CEASE TO CARRY INTEREST FROM 1ST AUGUST 1946, and will be redeemed on being surrendered, duly discharged, at the Imperial Bank of India, Bombay.

N. V. MODAK,
Municipal Commissioner,
for the City of Bombay.
Municipal Offices,
Bombay, 20th June, 1946.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

G.I.P. RAILWAY—TENDERS.

THE CONTROLLER OF STORES invites tenders for Reconditioning of Brass Scrap boring quality No. 2. Forms obtainable from Stores Head Office, Gipstore Lane, Lower Parel, Bombay 13, at Rs. 2|- per copy, not refundable. Money Order or cash only. Closing date 7-8-1946 at 3 p. m. (S. T.).

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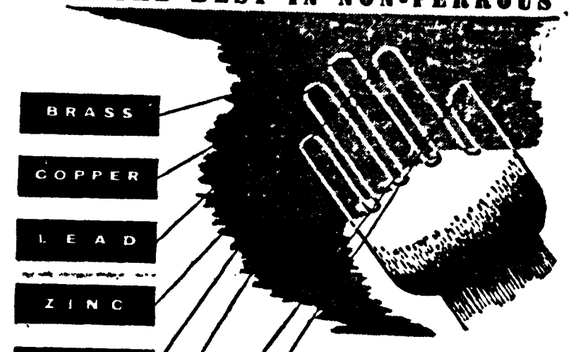

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